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Leadership plots anger cabinet

Major pleads with rebels to stop sniping

BY NICHOLAS WOOD IN TOKYO AND PHILIP WEBSTER

■ With a difficult party conference looming, the prime minister has made an impassioned appeal for an end to backbiting and leadership speculation

JOHN Major yesterday made an astonishing appeal to Conservative MPs to rally behind him, amid signs of growing tension within the cabinet over the way leadership speculation has been allowed to spiral out of control.

As the prime minister admitted that sniping at his leadership was sapping the government's authority and damaging the country, some cabinet ministers complained that their colleagues were not doing enough to scotch talk of a threat to him.

In an attempt to restore his authority, the prime minister said during a trade visit to Japan: "It is time to cut out this stupid internecine squabbling and get on with the job that the country elected us to do.

"I don't have the luxury of a majority of 100. The Conservative party cannot afford divisions. We have difficult decisions to take. It is in the interests of the country as well as the Conservative party that we take those decisions. Conservative MPs have a responsibility to support the government so that we can take the decisions that are right for the country."

Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, led appeals for unity, but there was cabinet anger over the "festering" speculation about who should replace him and the floating at the weekend of a right-wing backed Clarke-Michael Portillo ticket. A senior cabinet source said: "These things do not happen by accident. Some of my colleagues should tell their supporters to curb their enthusiasm and back John."

In a radio interview yesterday Mr Clarke denied that he and other ministers were jostling for position. He said that he and other ministers such as Mr Portillo and Michael Howard, the home secretary, "find it quite ridiculous to read ... that we are somehow plotting against each other or the prime minister. There is no atmosphere of plots, there's support for the prime minister."

The Chancellor admitted that the government was "in a dreadful hole", but added swiftly: "We, I think alone among the political parties, know exactly how we are going to get out of it."

Mr Major was forced to speak out in Japan when mounting speculation about his future threatened to hijack his trade mission. In a series of angry and tense television interviews he resorted to his strongest language yet in an attempt to quell the dissent. His irritation was fuelled by the fact that, once again, an important overseas trip was being overshadowed by feuding at home.

He blamed his predicament on a "handful" of confirmed troublemakers, but his remarks conceded that his critics were doing him and his government serious damage. "There are a handful of them who have repeatedly been difficult. It is a time for every single Conservative MP to start concentrating on what we now need to do — get this country into clear growth and prosperity. These noises off are a distraction and a waste of time."

The prime minister denied that he would face an uprising among the party faithful in Blackpool next month. Activists were "sick and tired" of the dissent and would demonstrate their disapproval at the conference, he said. Cabinet ministers also predicted that there would be a backlash against the dissidents.

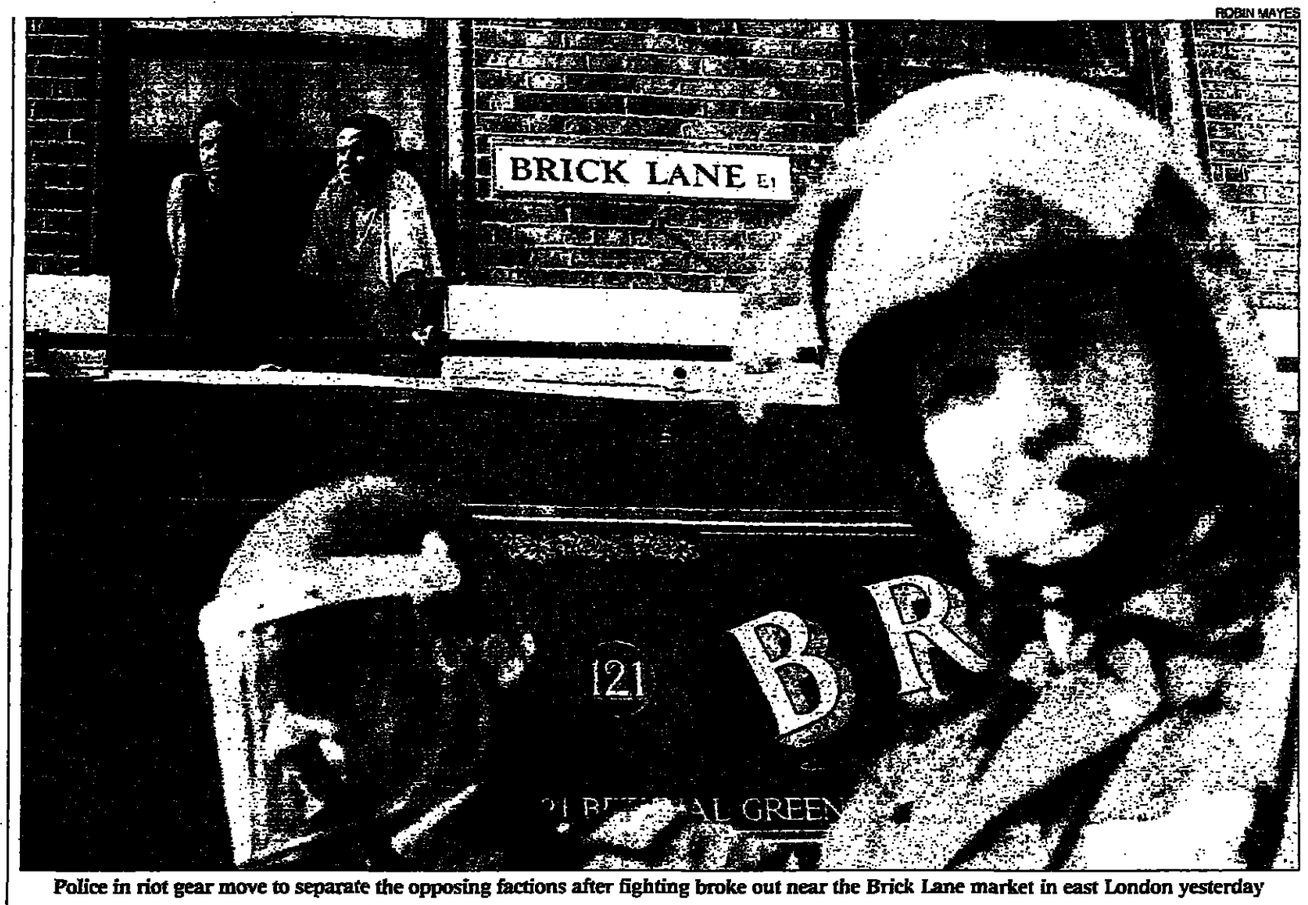
The prime minister believes that he has unfairly become the target of ridicule and distortion in the media. He apparently had to be persuaded to go public with the outspoken rebuke to his rebellious troops at Westminster. His friends believe that if he expresses himself more candidly and forcefully he can recapture his rapport with the public and his backbenchers.

Mr Major is aware that

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ROBIN MAYES



Police in riot gear move to separate the opposing factions after fighting broke out near the Brick Lane market in east London yesterday

Police hold 27 after East End race clash

BY JAMES LANDALE AND SHEILA GUNN

RIOT police arrested 27 people yesterday after fighting between supporters of the British National Party and anti-racist protesters in east London. Ten police officers were slightly injured.

The confrontation came when BNP campaigners tried to hand out leaflets in the heart of the area's Asian community. Derek Beackon, who won a council seat on the Isle of Dogs for the British National Party last week, arrived at the scene in a van but was driven off by a hail of eggs and vegetables.

The fighting started as 400 demonstrators clashed with 15 BNP members. The BNP followers gathered at the corner of Brick Lane and Bethnal Green Road, where they traditionally hand out leaflets on Sundays, to celebrate Mr Beackon's victory.

About 400 members of the Anti-Nazi League, Youth Against Racism in Europe and the Socialist Workers' Party gathered to protest at Mr Beackon's election and, at about 9.30am, attacked the BNP members, who retreated and then returned shortly afterwards chanting "Isle of Dogs, BNP" to a hail of stones, bottles and fruit.

Two hundred policemen separated the demonstrators across the road as pedestrians and traffic ran the gauntlet between the barrage of projectiles. As the ANL supporters chanted "Off our streets, Nazi scum" and "We are the Nazi haters," Richard Edmonds, deputy leader of the BNP, said: "We are completely legal and lawful standing here. They are the problem. They represent no one. They have no elected seat."

Mounted police charged between the two warring groups and officers carrying shields and batons broke up the fighting.

Buoyant Ashdown looks to power

BY OUR POLITICAL EDITOR

PADDY Ashdown last night sought to compound Conservative party disarray by holding out the prospect of the Liberal Democrats gaining power in their own right at the next general election.

On the eve of the party's annual conference, Mr Ashdown said that his party was "on the verge of a breakthrough into the big time". He denied that suggestions that he believed he could be prime minister amounted to triumphalism.

"If I am asked what is my main ambition in politics, how do you recommend I reply? What is the job of any party leader? It is to be prime minister," he said.

Liberal Democrats arriving in Torquay, Devon, were in good heart after this year's two by-election victories and yesterday's MORI poll suggesting they had secured a commanding lead over the Tories in the South West and were threatening Tory heartlands in the South East. Mr Ashdown's team hoped that his swift response to allegations of Liberal Democrat "racist" dirty tricks in Tower Hamlets, east London, would not overshadow the conference.

Mr Ashdown said the aim would be to show that the party was mature and capable of handling the position it had achieved. "I think you will see a party that is serious, workman-like, but determined to ensure that the position we now have be hold."

He believes that the collapse of Tory party unity and his party's surge in the South has changed the landscape of politics. In a Radio 4 interview he refused to rule out the possibility of his party winning power. "We are now at 24 or 25 per cent. It is not inconceivable that you could have a situation where we go into the next election where we are hitting nearly 30 per cent. You would have all three political parties around 30 per cent. That manifestly changes the circumstances of politics."

He said the media had failed to predict the outcome of the last election three days away: it was not wise to predict the outcome of the next one three years away. Politics was now "multi-dimensional," he said. The climate of pluralism would sweep through into all levels of politics.

Mr Ashdown again dismissed the idea of a formal Lib-Lab pact. "We do not view ourselves as the handmaidens for any other political party. I do not think anybody will doubt that our present base is now higher than it has ever been. We recognise we have not climbed the mountain. We have a long way yet to climb."

But he added: "We are independent. We are distinctive. We are offering a view for this country which the other parties cannot match."

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ITV's franchise system reviewed

BY ALEXANDRA FREAN, MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

THE government is planning an overhaul of the independent television franchise system, after complaints from the 15 independent companies that the existing legislation has been a disaster since it came into operation in January.

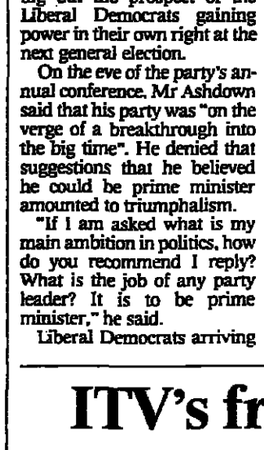
Sources at the heritage ministry confirmed at the weekend that Peter Brooke, minister responsible for broadcasting, is prepared to include a wide-ranging package of reforms to the ITV system into a 1995 Broadcasting Act, which was originally intended only to cover the BBC.

At an informal briefing at the Royal Television Society convention in Cambridge, a spokesman for the heritage department said: "There may be issues that we dealt with in the 1990 Broadcasting Act covering ITV that will form a natural part of a BBC review. There will not be a wholesale thorough-going reform of everything in the 1990 legislation, but as it is clearly proving inadequate then clearly it will need to be amended.

"One only has windows of *legislative opportunity* relatively infrequently. We will have such a window in 1994-5 when we consider the BBC, so this is a good moment to

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Under siege from 'semi-loopy' critics

FROM NICHOLAS WOOD IN TOKYO

JOHN MAJOR has begun to despair of ending the feuding in his party and reasserting his authority over the government and the country.

One measure of his frustration at the persistent sniping at his leadership is the language he uses in private to dismiss such protests. According to close friends, he sees backbench critics, many of whom are drawn from the anti-Maastricht wing of the party, as "semi-loopy" and is appalled at the prominence they are given by the media.

According to associates accompanying him on his trade mission to Japan, he says he can hear "the flapping of white coats" when some of his Tory critics pour out their bile upon his leadership. Mr Major has also graphically described his critics in private as "devils on the fringe, living out past glories".

But it is not just the Teresa Gormans and Sir Richard Bodys who earn Mr Major's scorn. He has not forgotten that despite his token protestations of loyalty, Norman Lamont, his embittered former Chancellor, has threatened further damaging disclosures about Black Wednesday and the events surrounding the pound's exit from the ERM. "There are many things I could say and many things I will say," Mr Lamont said on BBC's *Question Time* last week.

It is this grim prospect that has forced Mr Major's hand. He is drawing up a detailed rebuttal of Mr Lamont's claim that Mr Major's stubborn commitment to European unity prolonged the country's ERM agony.

The official record has been carefully checked and it is said

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D-Day: we were there



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● To celebrate 25 years of its world-famous prize, Booker appointed three judges to choose the best book of all. Tomorrow The Booker of Bookers, a 12-page supplement, reveals the winner.

● In the week that his frank autobiography is published, the theatre director Sir Peter Hall talks tomorrow about life, love, success and suicide.

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Plane crashes as it brings coach survivors home

BY HARVEY ELLIOTT TRAVEL CORRESPONDENT

AN AIRCRAFT bringing home 16 Britons who survived a fatal coach accident in France on Saturday crashed on take-off yesterday. Five of the passengers were taken to hospital, including the widow of one of the two British tourists killed in the road crash.

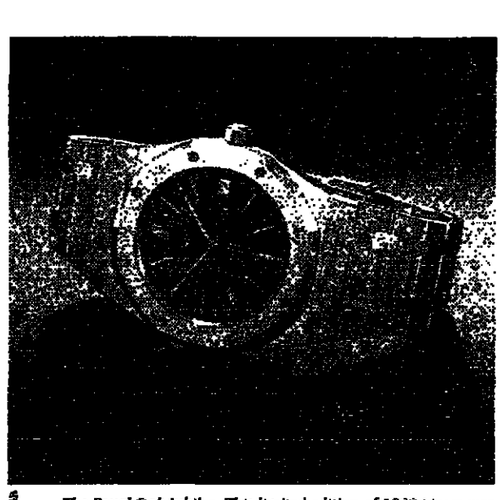
The chartered twin-engined Fairchild Swearingen Metro 227 swerved off the runway at Troyes, central France, and smashed through a barrier before stopping more than 200 yards into rough grass. None of the passengers was detained in hospital but all were said to be shaken after surviving their second trauma in two days.

A spokesman for Europ Assistance, which had chartered the 19-seat aircraft to fly them to Biggin Hill, said that the pilot had technical difficulties during the take-off run and aborted the flight. "During the course of braking the aircraft came to a halt off the runway," he said. "The passengers were all evacuated and no one was injured. They were all returned to the terminal and then to the hotel where they had spent the previous night." Last night it was unclear what had gone wrong with the aircraft to make it veer off the runway in good weather.

The crash was seen by British embassy staff who had accompanied the tourists to the airport. A spokesman said that the plane broke through a barrier at the end of the runway, continued into the field and "came to rest with the undercarriage buckled and nose down". The embassy staff helped to get the passengers off the plane and back to their hotel. Emsdale Air Holidays, which organised the trip, said it did not think that the 16 would return home today.

The coach crashed as it carried 57 passengers to Cap d'Agde, a naturist resort on the Mediterranean, killing Graham Ward, 39, from Exminster and Michael Capell of Erdington, Birmingham, and injuring 42. Three Britons in intensive care — Thomas O'Donnell of Blackpool, Elizabeth Dickson of Larkhall, Strathclyde, and Arthur Keveren of Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire — are in a stable condition in a Troyes hospital.

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Japanese offer lessons in artifice as trouble brews on the Tory home front



Norma Major meets Jakuemon, a kabuki actor

Absent Satchaa-san steals the show

FROM JOANNA PITMAN IN TOKYO

■ Mrs Major enjoys a low profile in Japan as the perfect politician's wife while her husband goes in to bat for British business

"SHE's not a patch on Mrs Thatcher," declared a Japanese woman to her neighbour as Norma Major arrived yesterday at Tokyo's Kabuki Theatre for a cultural outing. The prime minister was pondering the bilateral trade imbalance and the shaky state of Britain's pharmaceutical exports to Japan.

Such comparisons with the Iron Lady, who has left an indelible mark on this male-dominated society, are the plight of British women in Japan.

Mrs Major would probably be relieved to hear that she is considered to be nothing like Baroness Thatcher. But then, unlike "Satchaa-san", Mrs Major is seldom considered at all in Japan. Rather than having one of those comfortable wifely profiles as a supportive and occasionally active political ally, like Mme Mitterrand, or being seen as a dynamic co-driver like Mrs Clinton, Mrs Major appears to have no profile at all.

This is just as it should be in a country where political spouses (and these are almost invariably wives) are best appreciated for their ability to remain invisible at all times. So invisible has Mrs Major been to the Japanese public that most of those crowding the pavement outside the Kabuki Theatre yesterday had been drawn by the posse of photographers. They were fancifully hoping for a glimpse of Michael Jackson.

The hundreds already installed in the audience, flapping paper fans and munching from lunch boxes of rice and pickles, had not the slightest interest in the foreign visitor. They had paid £106 each to see *Yoshinoyama*, a late 19th century example of Japan's traditional *kabuki* dance drama. So traditional was it that most of the audience had equipped themselves with cassette and earphones to guide them through the classical Japanese lyrics.

Mrs Major sat heroically through an hour of it, clinging to her "earphone guide" and possibly wondering if she might have gained more from sitting in on her husband's pharmaceutical discussions.

But if the *kabuki* dialogue was obscure to the untutored ear, the visual show was magnificent. Jakuemon, a celebrated *onnagata* actor who plays female *kabuki* roles, simpered and swooped around the stage with considerable grace and refinement.

After the performance, Mrs Major was introduced to Jakuemon, who minced along the corridor to meet her in his purple silk multi-layered kimono, his male lips still painted into a red cupid's bow and all the characteristics of the beautiful spurned lover still with him.

Close-up, the depth and elegance of his artifice was impressive. Mrs Major will have been briefed about the central role that artifice plays in Japanese culture. Her husband should perhaps bear it in mind when he comes to do battle on behalf of Britain's exporters.

Right may support a Clarke-Portillo challenge to Major

BY JILL SHERMAN POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

■ Kenneth Clarke made it clear yesterday that he intended to push ahead with the two VAT increases on domestic fuel, despite overwhelming Tory opposition to the plan.

Following a MORI poll showing that only 5 per cent of Tory voters support the fuel tax, the Chancellor said the government still had to get the case over to the public. However, he insisted that the zero rating of domestic fuel was an anomoly, adding: "No one is going to die from VAT on heating."

Mr Clarke said on *The World This Weekend* on BBC Radio 4 that it would be a sign of weak government if he decided to hold the tax at its 1994 level of 8 per cent, rather than increase it to 17.5 per cent in 1995.

SENIOR Tory rightwingers are pressing for a "dream ticket" of Kenneth Clarke and Michael Portillo in the event of a leadership challenge this autumn.

While many of the Tory right are suspicious of Mr Clarke's pro-European leanings, several backbenchers feel they would prefer a term of robust and decisive leadership under Mr Clarke, rather than letting John Major soldier on.

Some also argue that the Chancellor is the only man who can unite the party and lead the Tories to a fifth election victory. They claim that he has discarded some of his more unacceptable left-wing "Heathite" trappings and has moved nearer to the centre of the party.

Sir Richard Body, MP for Holland with Boston, who has been one of Mr Major's most outspoken critics and has predicted that he could resign at the party conference, said: "If John Major decides to stand down I believe such a ticket would heal the wounds and many rank-and-file Conservatives in the country would like to see it."

Mr Clarke would have to pay a heavy price for the right's support for a leadership bid. MPs who are actively plotting for a Clarke-Portillo axis say the Chancellor would have to guarantee Mr Portillo a senior cabinet post and give assurances on the exchange-rate mechanism and a single currency. Under the dream-ticket scenario, Mr Portillo would encourage his supporters to vote for Mr Clarke rather than other rightwing candidates.

Mr Portillo has long been regarded the heir apparent of the Tory right but most think he is too young and inexperienced to take over immediately. One senior rightwinger argued that the Clarke-Portillo combination was "rather obvious once you go through all the options". They were the two main players but had their limitations. "Clarke needs the support of the right and pledges of unity afterwards, while Portillo is rather too young and should take a spending ministry and keep his powder dry," he said. Michael Howard was ideologically suited to the right but he "has no following".

Asked why the right would support a leader from the opposite wing of the party, the MP said: "There comes a point when ideology is less important than the person. If he is a leader he will be able to unite."

However, the right is by no means united over the proposed dream ticket. Several older backbenchers, particularly Euro-sceptics, would never support Mr Clarke, even with Mr Portillo as his deputy. Others suggested that Peter Lilley, the social security secretary, or John Redwood, the Welsh secretary, were better bets. Mr Howard also has his supporters. "The right is waiting for the left to move," one rightwinger said.

James Cran, an arch Euro-sceptic, takes a different tack, opposing any immediate leadership challenge. He argues that the electorate would never forgive Tory MPs for more backstabbing and they would lose their seats at the next election. "This is not good for the Tory party. I am not in favour of leadership changes in the middle of a parliament. The electorate would kill us."

☐ Norman Lamont is to be warned by the Bow Group not to launch another attack on the prime minister at its fringe meeting at the party conference next month.

It is understood that Mr Lamont has been contacted by his constituency association chairman asking him not to repeat criticism of Mr Major because of the possible impact on the local elections and European elections in the area next summer. Mr Lamont was invited by the group to speak in Blackpool.

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John Major meeting the footballer Gary Lineker at the British embassy in Tokyo

Under siege from the critics

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to differ from Mr Lamont's recollections — hence the prime minister's dismissal of his article in *The Times* last week as "disingenuous".

In particular, Mr Major has let it be known that after the pound's explusion from the ERM Mr Lamont wanted to keep interest rates at 12 per cent. Mr Major overruled him — said to be the only time the prime minister made an interest rate cut for political reasons — and ordered that rates be lowered to 10 per cent. If true, the disclosure would be a blow to a reborn Mr Lamont's stance as one of the chief critics of monetary union and fixed exchange rates.

Mr Major may also have something to say about Mr Lamont's performance in exploring the possibilities for a realignment of ERM currencies around the time of the disastrous Bath meeting of finance ministers, shortly before Black Wednesday.

The animosity between the two men runs deep. One of the prime minister's confidantes likens them to a divorced couple with Mr Lamont in the role of the aggrieved party.

Mr Major's despair also extends to the media. He feels that he is distorted and ridiculed every time he tries to set out his vision of where he wants to take the country.

"I get two minutes on *News at Ten*, John Smith gets one minute on something he hasn't read and Paddy Ashdown gets one minute on something he hasn't understood," the prime minister has confided to his friends.

PoWs plan to sue wartime companies

FROM NICHOLAS WOOD IN TOKYO

THREATS of legal action against Japanese companies were issued yesterday on the eve of talks between John Major and Morihiro Hosokawa, the Japanese prime minister, on compensation for 12,000 British survivors of wartime labour camps.

Leaders of the Japanese Labour Camps Survivors Association are seeking compensation of about £14,000 each for British PoWs, who were forced to work for the forerunners of companies such as Mitsubishi and Nissan during the second world war. They believe the Japanese government should pay £170 million reparation, but their hopes of a breakthrough in today's talks are fading.

Mr Major is reluctant to press the case too hard for fear of offending his hosts, who believe questions of compensation were settled by the 1951 San Francisco Peace Treaty, which paid the survivors £76 each. Martyn Day, the association's lawyer, said in Tokyo yesterday: "This is the right time in history for us to act. I am optimistic that in a year or 18 months' time we will be getting these people compensation. Proceedings will be launched in Japan if these talks fail.

"Failure by Japan to atone is a strong part of our case. Until there is that atonement, people will be very suspicious whether Japan should be allowed to take a more leading role in world politics."

If the Japanese courts throw out claims against companies, the association would bring actions against their British-based subsidiaries in UK courts, Mr Day said.

Mr Major will raise the dispute with Mr Hosokawa, but British diplomats in Japan are doubtful that either the Japanese government or Japanese companies will make compensation payments, so inviting claims from other Pacific countries whose prisoners suffered during the war.

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Major pleads for an end to party sniping

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perilous times lie ahead. With Norman Lamont, the former Chancellor, apparently threatening to make fresh disclosures about Black Wednesday and the circumstances surrounding the pound's exit from the ERM, the prime minister is drawing up a detailed rebuttal.

The prime minister's friends also believe he is being handicapped by a shortage of advice from trusted ministerial colleagues.

Mr Clarke said yesterday

judgment who would contemplate such a thing.

Sir Norman Fowler, the party chairman, said that MPs who sniped from the sidelines did not speak for the party. Tony Newton, the Leader of the Commons, said: "It has been the prime minister's leadership which has enabled us to face and tackle the problems which confronted us. It will be the prime minister's leadership which will carry us forward in building on the foundation which has been laid."

ITV companies hail review of franchises

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sweep up some of the problems arising from the previous act," he said. The government has already begun taking evidence on the future of the BBC in the run-up to the expiry of its royal charter in 1996, and has indicated that it intends to enshrine the governance of the corporation into a Broadcasting Act for the first time in its 70-year history.

News that the BBC review will be extended to cover ITV was welcomed by the ITV companies last night. Barry Cox, head of corporate affairs

ment irons out some of the anomalies with new legislation in 1995, it means that the 1998 review will not have to be carried out under the deeply-flawed existing laws."

Peter Brooke, the heritage secretary, is expected to make a decision on the ownership rules within the next few weeks.

☐ John Birt, director-general of the BBC has made an appeal to the government to increase the BBC licence fee at least in line with inflation in 1994.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Prime minister lifts 2000 Olympic hopes

The final thrust of Manchester's bid to host the Olympic Games of 2000 is to be delivered by John Major in a speech to the International Olympic Committee in Monte Carlo on Thursday, prior to its final vote. The Princess Royal will also speak on Manchester's behalf.

The contribution of the prime minister, with his acknowledged interest in sport and enthusiastic support of Manchester's bid financially, could be a significant factor in impressing any undecided voters among the 91 IOC members. Mr Major arrives from Malaysia on Thursday.

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Child dragged by car

A boy aged ten was trapped under a reversing car and dragged more than 30ft. The driver was unaware he had hit anybody. David Walder was last night being treated for severe head and chest injuries. He had been running across the road in Eastbourne, East Sussex, where he lives, when he was struck by the car being driven by Andrew Hookham, 32.

Florida allegation

The stepfather of a 13-year-old boy questioned over the Florida murder of a British tourist has implicated him in a television interview. Henry Johnson said on the Miami station WSVN on Saturday that his stepson was in the stolen car used by the killers of Gary Colley from Bradford, shot in a robbery attempt at a motorway stop on Tuesday.

Tower Bridge reopens

Tower Bridge was due to reopen to road traffic this morning, after three months of essential repairs to rust-damaged girders costing £250,000. Although some experts feared the bridge might never be opened to vehicles again, the repaired roadway is now considered capable of handling 40,000 crossings a day, with a weight limit of 17 tons.

13-year-old accused

A 13-year-old boy will appear before Leicester magistrates today charged with the attempted murder of a 10-year-old girl. The alleged victim, who has not been named, was found lying in a ditch near Lutterworth, Leicestershire, on Friday night with severe injuries from a violent attack. She remains in a serious condition in hospital.

'Bossy' Laura improves



Laura Davies, right, was said yesterday to be improving and "bossing everyone around" after her multiple organ transplant operation in Pittsburgh Children's Hospital on Thursday. Her mother Fran said Laura's condition had got better since Saturday. The five-year-old from Eccles, Greater Manchester, was sitting up in bed, telling people to move out of the way of the television.

Driver's last outing

A 90-year-old motorist, a driver for 70 years, will take his Rolls-Royce out for the last time today after his insurance company refused to renew his policy. Geoffrey Godfrey, from Lockerley, near Romsey, Hampshire, has failed a driving test for the second time after a court ordered him only to drive accompanied until he passed a test.

Daughter faces charge

The daughter of a man whose burnt body was found on remote moorland was yesterday charged with his murder. Humberside police said Michelle Nicholson, 22, would appear today before magistrates charged with murdering Keith Nicholson, 47, of Bridlington. A 30-year-old man arrested with her has been released on police bail.

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Survey finds tenth of teenagers have no idea where UK is

BY BEN PRESTON
EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

■ Curriculum professor says poor general knowledge results among 17-year-olds are an indictment of teaching standards

ONE in ten British 17-year-olds cannot find Britain on a world map. Almost half cannot locate Bosnia and New Zealand, according to a survey.

Two-thirds of teenagers are unable to name two members of the Cabinet and fewer than half know when the second world war ended.

Widespread ignorance of general knowledge was found by MORI in a poll of more than 500 17-year-olds. None answered all 19 questions correctly on subjects ranging from science to the law.

Overall, the average score was 10.2. Only one person got 18 questions right, with another scoring 17.

The survey, commissioned by *Reader's Digest*, found men scored slightly higher than women, as did those still in education compared with people either at work or unemployed. However, teenagers educated at private or grammar schools did no better than those who went to state comprehensives.

Historical knowledge was particularly weak. Just 2 per cent knew the date of William the Conqueror's invasion, the end of the second world war, the Spanish Armada and the coronation of the Queen. Barely four out of ten managed to get more than one right.

Politics was another weak spot. Just one in three was able to name two cabinet ministers aside from the prime minister. Michael Heseltine, President of the Board of Trade, was the most well-known, cited by 37 per cent, followed by Virginia Bottomley, the health secretary, and Kenneth Clarke, the chancellor, both 18 per cent.

Four out of ten young people failed to name a single cabinet minister correctly. One in eight believed Norman Lamont still resided at Number 11 Downing Street, even though the survey was conducted just after his headline-grabbing resignation. Some 4 per cent named Lady Thatcher, Neil Kinnock and John Smith.

Jacques Delors was the subject of similar confusion. Given four alternatives, a third said correctly that he was president of the European Commission, with 38 per cent opting for the president of France, 13 per cent for the leader of a French agriculture trade union and 5 per cent believing him to be Belgium's defence minister.

In mathematics, four out of five could calculate 50 per cent of 180 — an improvement on a study six years ago when only 68 per cent managed the same sum. But 27 per cent failed to divide £65 by £5. Only three in five got both questions right.

In English, nine out of ten were able to put the apostrophe in the correct place in the sentence: "It's rather a big foot." But, given four alternatives, barely half were able to identify *Pride and Prejudice* as Jane Austen's novel about how the daughters of the Bennet family found themselves husbands.

The best answered questions were about the law. Virtually all knew that 18 was the minimum voting age and the age when people can legally buy alcohol. However, half were not aware that 18 was the lowest age for taking out a mortgage.

Professor David Regan, head of politics at Nottingham University and a member of the National Curriculum Council, said the results were an indictment of teaching standards. He said: "Whatever else youngsters may have acquired, facts and hard knowledge do not appear to be high on the list."

Sir Rhodes Boyson, former Conservative education minister and MP for Brent North, said he was astonished by the ignorance of politics: "I say that not because I am a politician but because government does matter. Don't our young people read newspapers?"

CAN YOU DO BETTER THAN THE 17-YEAR-OLDS?

1 Here is a map of the world. In which box is located...
a) Bosnia; b) Great Britain; c) Canada; d) New Zealand



2 In which year did/was...
a) William the Conqueror invade England?
b) the second world war end?
c) the Spanish Armada
d) the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II?

3 Jacques Delors is
a) Belgium's defence minister
b) Leader of French agricultural trade union
c) President of France
d) President of the European Commission

4 If a bank cashier is asked to change £65 into £5 notes, how many £5 notes is that?

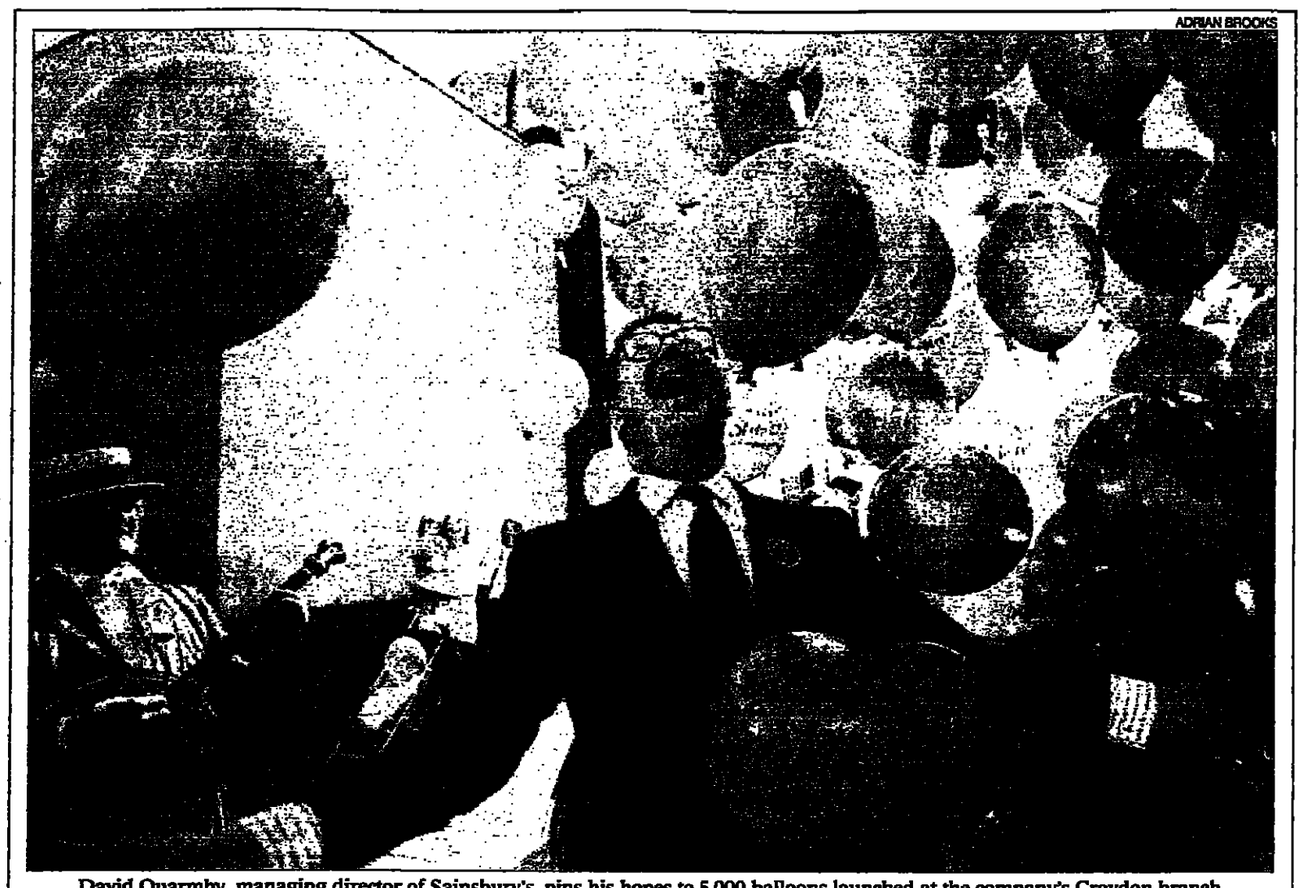
5 Which of the following is a novel by Jane Austen about how daughters of the Bennet family found husbands?
a) Madame Bovary
b) The Heart of Midlothian
c) Clarissa
d) Pride and Prejudice

6 In which part of the human body would you find the humerus?

7 Which one of these describes the Greenhouse Effect?
a) One of the effects of a nuclear explosion
b) The destruction of the ozone layer by gases from aerosols and other sources
c) The process by which fruit and vegetables ripen
d) The heating of the Earth's atmosphere due to build-up of certain gases

Answers to panorama of 17-yr-olds who answered correctly:
1. a (93%); b (80%); c (88%); d (92%). 2. a 1066 (92%); b 1945 (88%); c 1588 (93%); d 1952 (92%). 3. d (92%). 4. 13 (79%). 5. d (51%). 6. The arm (92%). 7. d (88%).

Source: Reader's Digest / Mori



ADRIAN BROOKS

David Quarmby, managing director of Sainsbury's, pins his hopes to 5,000 balloons launched at the company's Croydon branch

Balloon goes up for supporters of Sunday trading

OPPONENTS of Sunday trading believe that the might of the retail lobby will win through when MPs debate shopping hours reform later this year.

They voiced their fears as 33 major chains held National Sunday Shopping Day yesterday in a bid to generate more support from customers for opening on Sundays.

The Keep Sunday Special Campaign said it feared that a concerted effort by major stores would prove successful when parliament reformed the law later in the year. "We have a lot of concerns that money will hold sway," Alasdair Barron, the campaign's spokesman, said. "We would urge people to just look behind this campaign that is being applied by the retail industry and say they will not be manipulated by money."

Supporters of Sunday trading designated yesterday a national event in an attempt to demonstrate the strength of public support to MPs. But Mr Barron said consumers' support would wane if Sunday trading was deregulated and working on the Sabbath became the norm for millions.

"We feel that it is very important to keep Sunday as a day of rest. It is an oasis of quality," Mr Barron said. "If we lose it in this time when pressure and stress is increasing on everyone we could have problems."

Consumers for Sunday Shopping, a lobby group backed by several superstore chains, was urging shoppers all over Britain to sign petitions giving their backing to deregulation.

"National Sunday Shopping Day has been organised to show MPs just how popular Sunday shopping has become," a spokesman for the group said. "The vast majority of the public do not want the clock turned back."

☐ More than one in ten people in the UK have a mainly vegetarian diet, according to a report by market analysts Mintel International.

Britons to be deported for living together

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER
IN CAIRO

A BRITISH man and woman were yesterday ordered to be deported from an Arab country for "living in sin". Peter Wade and Yvonne Campbell are considering an appeal against the decision by a court in Sharjah, one of the United Arab Emirates.

The order replaces a one-year jail sentence which the Britons had appealed against after it was imposed last month under Islamic laws on cohabitation. Western diplomats attributed the softening of the sentence to a combination of pressure from Whitehall and the Gulf state's wish to neutralise British media anger.

The case caused controversy in Britain because it illustrated the dangers of Islamic laws for expatriates and because Ms Campbell's former husband had referred the alleged breach of Islamic regulations to the authorities.

At the hearing, the judge did not state when Mr Wade and Ms Campbell would have to leave the country. Ms Campbell said later that she planned to appeal. Mr Wade said: "I am very relieved, very happy that the jail sentence was cancelled. We both want to stay in the country. We have always said that."

Some British newspapers have described Ms Campbell as Mr Wade's common-law wife, but during court proceedings the lawyer for the defence, Hafez Tahboub, said that Mr Wade was just a friend of Ms Campbell who had invited her and her three children to stay with him after her husband had walked out and refused to pay the rent for their house.

Yesterday Mr Tahboub said that Mr Wade and Ms Campbell were still on bail and had a month to appeal to the federal court in the UAE capital of Abu Dhabi against the deportation order.

Man held over gas blast attack on police

BY LIN JENKINS

THE police are treating as attempted murder an incident where four police officers were seriously burned in a gas explosion after being called to a house at 11pm on Saturday to question a man following a violent attack on a woman.

A gas pipe in the kitchen of the house in Risca, Gwent, had been sawn through and the leaking gas ignited as the officers were invited in. Det Chief Supt Mark Waters, head of Gwent CID, said the two most badly injured officers were in the kitchen with the man they wished to interview when he produced a lighter and threatened them.

"The leak was deliberately ignited as the person left the house by the back door after inviting the officers inside. It seems he was shielded by their bodies. We are treating this as an attempt to murder the four officers. It looks as if they walked into a trap, the house was a bomb waiting to go off. We are lucky to have got them out alive."

Det Con Colin Rees, 29, and PC Huw Jones, 29, were being treated for serious burns to the face and body at St Lawrence Hospital, Chepstow, yesterday. Sgt David Moses, 38, suffered 25 per cent burns to his hands and face. WPC Rachel Lewis-Jones, 26, was allowed home after treatment. WPC Lewis-Jones had told senior officers: "It was a fireball which started in the middle of the kitchen, flew over to the wall and just bounced back at us. We did not stand a chance of getting out because it happened so quickly."

Police were last night questioning a 29-year-old man with minor burns to his ear.

The 'secret rich' have the fattest wallets in Britain

BY ANDREW PIERCE

A NEW breed of "secret rich" entrepreneur has taken over the list of the 500 wealthiest people in Britain and Ireland.

The growth of "new money" is at the expense of traditionally wealthy landowning families. The Duke of Westminster, once Britain's wealthiest man, cannot even command second place. That is taken by a grocer, David Sainsbury.

Paul Raymond, dubbed the "Duke of Soho", takes top prize, according to a survey in *Business Age* magazine. Mr Raymond's estimated £1.5 billion fortune is mainly derived from property holdings in Soho. *Business Age* says. But the same claim last year was ridiculed by property experts and city analysts. The magazine was accused of using pre-1988 property valuations and overestimating the size of Mr Raymond's portfolio.

Tom Rubython, the magazine's editor, defended the findings. "We tramped the streets checking which properties Paul Raymond owns. We spoke to the occupiers and estate agents. The figures are correct. Paul Raymond is the richest man in the land."

The Duke of Westminster is the only aristocrat in the top 20, in fifth place with an estimated fortune of £750 million. The slump in commercial property and leasehold reform legislation have reduced his worth from £2 billion two years ago.

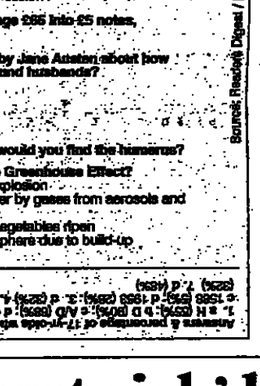
More than 100 of the "secret rich" have appeared in the top 500 for the first time. They include Noel Lister (at number 94), the founder of MFI; Abe Jaffe (103), a London car dealer; Jarvis Astaire (149), the boxing promoter; Felix Dennis (56), founder of the 1960s magazine *Oz*, who made £154 million from computer magazines; Paul Hewson (165), alias Bono of the pop group U2, with £70 million; and Tom Jones, the singer, who hits number 24 with £252 million.

Mr Sainsbury, chairman of the eponymous retailer, is valued at £1,425 million, followed by Lord Rothermere, the publisher, £1,200 million, and Sir Evelyn de Rothschild, the banker, £1,100 million.

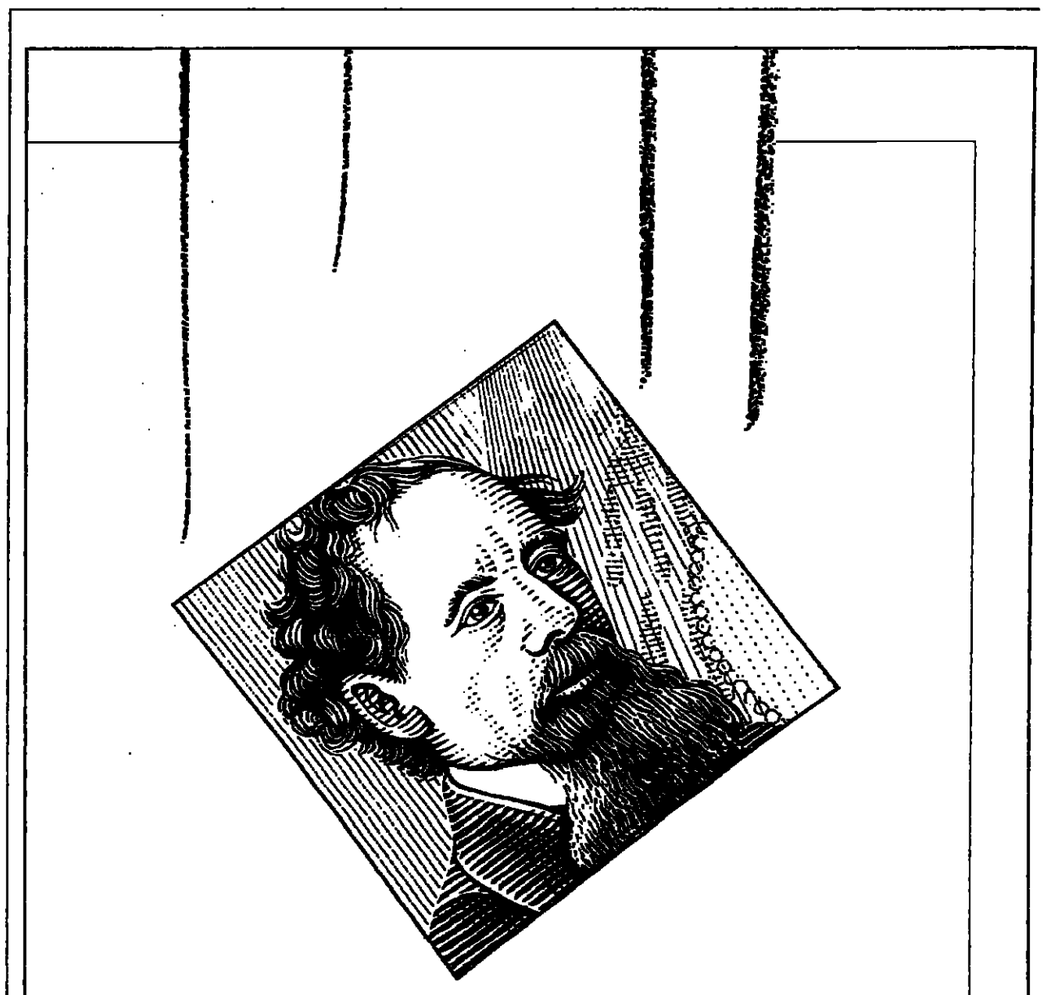
Mr Rubython said: "The aristocracy is squandering its fortune. The secret rich are taking over fast. There is a marked decline in the fortunes of the landowning classes."

Baroness Thatcher is part of the not-so-secret rich. She is now the 20th richest woman in Britain, 184th overall, with £63 million. The wealthiest woman, worth £280 million, is Chryss Goulandris, heiress and wife of Tony O'Reilly, head of the Heinz empire, who is worth another £219 million.

The Queen is seventh richest woman, number 57 overall, with an estimated personal fortune of £150 million.



Paul Raymond has a £1.5 billion fortune



Queen cooks up a barbie for Keatings

BY ALAN HAMILTON

HOSPITABLE to the last, the Queen entertained Paul Keating on his weekend visit to Balmoral in a manner particularly befitting an Australian prime minister: she laid on a barbecue. The steaks were perhaps not quite of the gargantuan size favoured at a true Aussie beach barbie, but they were personally cooked by the Duke of Edinburgh. The Prince of Wales assisted with the sausages.

Mr Keating and his wife Annita would not however have laboured for a moment under the delusion that they were back home in the garden of their official Canberra residence. The Saturday night air was clear but decidedly nippy. The Deeside forests are turning to autumn gold and, as they say in these parts, the nights are fair drawin' in.

The Keatings joined a number of other private house guests for what palace officials described as a very friendly and relaxed encounter with the monarch they feel should cease to be Queen of Australia. Earlier, Mr Keating had an hour's private audience with the Queen in which he briefed her on the current constitutional situation in Australia.

A group of 20 Australian newsmen gathered at the Balmoral gate to record Mr Keating's arrival, but were so occupied with taking each other's pictures that they almost missed him. "Republicans at the castle gates," they joked to each other. "Of course, the Lizard won't be telling Betty anything she hasn't already heard from the Gee-Gee," one television reporter observed. The Lizard is Mr Keating, Betty the Queen, and the Gee-Gee her representative in Canberra, the governor-general.

The Keatings had a brief chance to relax in their large ground-floor guest room and to see parts of the castle's interior. Mr Keating, who collects antique clocks, may have noticed that Balmoral has 140 of them. Clocks may well have helped the barbecue conversation along when republicanism palled.

Yesterday morning the party flew to Dublin, where Mr Keating will spend three days in talks with Irish ministers before travelling to the town of Tynagh in co. Galway to investigate his Irish, and therefore thoroughly republican, roots.

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Ashdown takes the party podium with both guns blazing

BY SHEILA GUNN AND ARTHUR LEATHLEY

■ *Charges of racism in the Tower Hamlets by-election have embarrassed party leaders. Expulsions may follow on from the rhetoric*

PADDY Ashdown fought yesterday to prevent the Tower Hamlets race row from overshadowing his party's annual conference. He denounced as "nonsense" allegations that his councillors were racist.

But the Liberal Democrat leader conceded that both his party and Labour had "made mistakes" that helped the British National Party win last week's council by-election.

Mr Ashdown disclosed that he had ordered all literature put out by local councillors to be vetted by his party officials more than 20 months ago. There had been a breakdown in the vetting process, he said, when one leaflet was published without clearance. Even the council leader, Peter Hughes, had not vetted it.

Mr Ashdown's decision was taken in December 1991, after reported comments by Jeremy Shaw, one of his Tower Hamlets councillors, that Bangladeshi people arriving in the borough could not expect to be housed by the council.

Clearly embarrassed by allegations of Lib-Dem "dirty tricks", Mr Ashdown yesterday accused Labour's Jack Straw of making "many untrue" suggestions. He said Labour had lost its court action against the Liberal Democrats over an alleged breach of electoral law in Tower Hamlets in May 1990.

"The idea put around that our council is racist is nonsense," he added.

He protested that he had ordered an immediate investigation into the dubious leaflets while Labour had not.

At a later press conference in Torquay, Mr Ashdown commented: "Both of us [Liberal Democrats and Labour] made mistakes that enabled success for the British National Party."

The Liberal Democrat president, Charles Kennedy, said the local party had been "quite controversial" over a number of years and indicated that expulsions were likely. The party's constitution was against racism. Anyone who did not believe in this principle had "no place in our party".

Speaking on BBC TV's *Breakfast with Frost*, Mr Kennedy said: "It [Tower Hamlets] has been quite a controversial party over quite a number of years."

Later at a fringe meeting, Mr Kennedy stepped up his defence of the party's anti-racist credentials by re-stating the preamble to its constitution.

"Let the word go out from this conference loud, clear and unequivocal: Liberal Democrats are at one in recognising racism for what it is, wherever it is found: a disgusting moral stench in the nostrils of society," he said.

Other senior party figures disclosed they had long regarded the Tower Hamlet Liberals as "something of an enclave". One recalled that Sir

LIBERAL DEMOCRATS IN TORQUAY



David Steel had clashed with them when he was party leader.

Mr Ashdown's quick action in calling an investigation helped relieve the disquiet of party activists as they arrived in Torquay yesterday, but it hands the other main parties the opportunity they have been seeking to turn their fire on to the Lib-Dems.

The enquiry will be carried out by the London regional party, chaired by Jonathan Davies, and will involve the newly ennobled Anthony Lester QC, a co-founder of the Commission for Racial Equality. A serving CRE member and a non-London Liberal Democrat councillor are also expected to be included.

☐ The Liberal Democrats, riding on the crest-wave of two by-election successes, are now preparing to take on the Tories on more Conservative home ground — law and order (Alice Thomson writes).

Robert Maclennan, Liberal Democrat spokesman on home affairs, opening a fringe meeting yesterday on crime prevention, attacked the government for passing 64 pieces of law and order legislation during its 14, while allowing the crime rate to more than double over the same period. One man in three now had a criminal record by the age of 35, he said.

"Seven successive home secretaries have vied with each other to appear more stern and unbending. Yet the core anxieties pulse through our neighbourhoods," he said.

He also criticised the government for its policies on privatising prisons and capping police pay recommended in the Sheehy enquiry.

The Lib-Dems' first detailed manifesto for safer neighbourhoods calls for greater community responsibility in crime prevention, with task forces for every local authority. It proposes that chief constables have more clearly defined powers and wants to abolish performance-related pay and national league tables. Schools should take responsibility for bullying, it says. But it steers clear of commenting on vigilantes.

In their attempt to be taken seriously, not just as a party of protest and "engaging amateurism" as Mr Kennedy put it yesterday, the Liberal Democrats are tightening the screws on law and order before Michael Howard, the home secretary, tries to reclaim it for the Tories at the Conservative conference in a fortnight.

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Paddy Ashdown and his wife, Jane, escaping the pressures of party politics on a pleasure cruiser at Torquay yesterday morning. Photograph: Simon Walker

Members ignore party line and welcome electoral pacts

BY OUR POLITICAL STAFF

CLEAR differences emerged yesterday between the Liberal Democrat leadership and party members over policies on Europe and pacts with other parties.

According to a survey by researchers at Strathclyde University, most party members feel closer to Labour than the Conservatives. A total of 58 per cent of those questioned also favour electoral pacts with Labour negotiated locally at the next general election, despite the leadership's rejection of such a formal anti-Tory link.

As the Liberal Democrats focus on scooping up votes from disillusioned Tories, the findings will dismay the leadership. The survey of 2,476 randomly selected members showed that 57 per cent supported, in principle, joining Labour in a coalition government if no party won an overall majority at the next election.

Many members also appeared more wary of closer European union than the party's stated policy. Only 48 per cent favoured an increase in the European Commission's powers.

This week's party conference in Torquay aims to continue the process of toning down its fervent Euro-federalist policy and support for a single currency in preparation for next year's European elections.

Charles Kennedy, the party's president, advised his members yesterday to "grow up" as the other parties — and the media — turned their fire on the Liberal Democrats. He called for more self-discipline from MPs and activists throughout the party. A transition was needed from an era of "engaging amateurism" to establishing a mature and credible political force, he said. He warned members that the party must not rely on picking up protest votes from other political parties and was vulnerable to being attacked as trying to be "all things to all people".

Mr Kennedy's stark reminder on the opening day left members in no doubt that the party leadership is intent on ridding the Liberal Democrats of their "woolly" image. Mr Kennedy emphasised that the party had to define policies and move positively from the party of local politics to one of national power with well-defined policies. "We have to make sure as a party that we are watertight in terms of what we are promising and pledging," he said.

As part of the party's "maturing" process, Mr Kennedy launched *The Reformer*, a quarterly magazine that will examine policy and strategy. It will be independently of Liberal Democrat policy.

The 'heavyweight' John Smith could do business with

BY SHEILA GUNN, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

"ONE balding Scottish QC in his fifties leading a political party in this country is quite enough," says Menzies Campbell, ruling himself out as a "bus candidate" in the event of Paddy Ashdown attempting one stunt too many.

His refusal to covet the top job is a blow for the Liberal Democrats as he is widely regarded as one of the party's few heavyweights. He could, however, find himself in a key position one day.

If Labour and the Liberal Democrats are working together in a few years' time, John Smith would find it far easier to co-operate with his old university friend and fellow advocate "Ming" Campbell than with Mr Ashdown. The idea of the MP for North East Fife sitting at the Smith cabinet table as defence secretary is not incredible.

He shudders at the prospect of leading the party, however, primarily because of the pressure it would put on his family. Not only has he seen the effect on the Ashdowns, but he and his wife, Elspeth, and their close friends, the Steels, were pursued by the tabloids at the start of the 1987 election campaign. "It is not a price I would be prepared to pay," says Mr Campbell. Behind the scenes he has been wooed by senior figures in the Labour and Tory parties. "He really belongs with us" has been heard in both camps. John Patten, the education secretary, has goaded him in the Commons about looking like a Tory because of his striped shirts.



Campbell: no desire to be party leader

His father, a builder, and mother, a civil servant, tended to vote Labour and encouraged a lively interest in topical issues. Their son did not waver in his loyalty to the Liberal party while at Glasgow university although most of his contemporaries were Labour supporters. Now he declares he is comfortable with the Liberal Democrats. "If I became thoroughly disillusioned with the Liberal Democrats I would give up politics rather than join another party," he says.

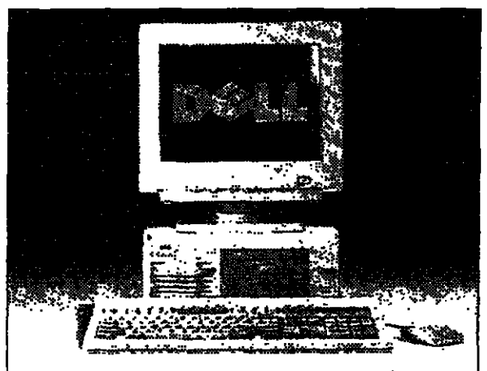
This stubborn streak spurred him upwards on the Scottish legal and political ladders. His deep dislike for losing added the extra ingredient that drove him to become a record-breaking athlete at university. As his upbringing centred on Glasgow, athletics opened up a new world. He competed in the 1964 Tokyo Olympics and 1966 Commonwealth Games in Jamaica.

After his master of arts and law degrees, he studied at Stanford University, California, when the campuses were alight with hippy power. Even then, the young man from Glasgow rejected beards and sandals in favour of short hair, ties and suits.

On his return to Britain he "devilled" for Hugh (now Lord) Morton, a staunch Labour supporter, before specialising in Scottish planning and licensing law. His friendship with Sir David Steel, the former Liberal leader, dates from the 1970 campaign against the South African rugby tour. Having decided to aim for Westminster, his early experiences were not encouraging. Someone pulled a knife on him while he was out canvassing among hard-left elements in north Edinburgh. It took five attempts, two in Greenock and Port Glasgow, three in Fife, before he arrived at Westminster with a majority of 1,447 in 1987 at the age of 46. Once there he found himself immersed in the death throes of the old Alliance. "I came in wide-eyed and ready to make the most of it and we were plunged into internecine strife. I thought — what the hell am I doing here."

Unlike some colleagues, he retains respect for David (now Lord) Owen and his "tough and tender" politics, but he has no regrets about declaring for Mr Ashdown.

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Bottomley dismisses nurses' pay demand

BY NIGEL HAWKES

VIRGINIA Bottomley, the health secretary, dismissed the nurses' pay claim for a 10 per cent pay increase as "frankly unrealistic" yesterday, while unions representing another 54,000 health service professionals submitted a demand for a 15 per cent rise.

The unions representing physiotherapists, chiropodists, orthoptists, occupational therapists and radiographers say that health service professionals are "demoralised, understaffed, stressed and working harder than ever". They call for a starting salary of £13,380, up from £11,657.

Mrs Bottomley urged NHS workers to face economic realities; pay rises had to be affordable if patients were not to suffer. She rejected the views of Christine Hancock, general secretary of the Royal College of Nursing, who has claimed that cold-blooded statistics of patient "throughput" did not do justice to the value of nursing. Mrs Bottomley said rates of staff recruitment and retention in the NHS were impressive. "We need to discuss ways of moving forward on performance pay and I shall be having discussions with the professions involved, but the nurses' claim, frankly, is unrealistic."

Professions Allied to Medicine (PAM) says in its evidence to the review body that the number of posts that have been frozen has doubled, turnover rates are rising, and there is an increasing but unsatisfied demand for the services of professionals. "The NHS is losing staff who cost £50,000 to train and this is a great loss to the service," the group says.

Joce Prudence, secretary of the PAM staff side, said: "A review body process that has



Bottomley: pay rises must be affordable

been seen as fair and effective for ten years is now in jeopardy, thanks to Kenneth Clarke's [the Chancellor's] heavy-handed approach to public-sector pay. It is hard to see how the review body can function properly unless the government's policy is clarified."

By calling for a pay freeze, Mr Clarke has raised the temperature in the public-sector pay round. As well as the claims put forward by health service professionals, teachers have demanded an average 13 per cent increase, although the annual rate of inflation is 1.7 per cent.

Mrs Bottomley also rejected charges yesterday that patients of GP fundholders are being "fast-tracked" through waiting lists at the expense of patients of non-fundholding doctors. She said there were strict guidelines to ensure that no patient was disadvantaged. "Any specific cases of difficulty or areas where further clarification is needed I shall be happy to take up," she said.

The waiting lists dispute was fuelled last week by Paddy Ross, leader of the Joint Consultants' Committee, who plans to raise the issue with John Major on September 30. Mrs Bottomley said she would attend the talks, and shrugged off recent Gallup poll findings which showed her as the "least sincere" of Britain's leading politicians. "Any health secretary knows that the importance of health and the emotions involved will mean going through tough times," she said.

Students may face fees bill

BY BEN PRESTON
EDUCATION CORRESPONDENT

THE prospect of students paying more towards the cost of higher education increased yesterday as both the government and Labour signalled policy shifts.

Ann Taylor, shadow education spokeswoman, will this week drop the party's long-standing support for the present system that guarantees the state pays the tuition fees of those on full-time degree courses. She will pledge a huge expansion of higher education while arguing it would be "simply unrealistic" to rule out charges on students. In return for meeting part of the cost of their course, everyone would receive a "lifetime entitlement" to college education. The new direction will be outlined in a consultative green paper, which is expected to be rubber-stamped by the national executive today.

John Patten, the education secretary, is expected to acknowledge that the taxpayer cannot bear the whole cost of higher education expansion at a private meeting of university vice-chancellors on Wednesday. He will suggest that the official target for the proportion of young people in higher education by 2000 could be raised to 40 per cent if new money was found.

Blair urges Labour to embrace change

BY JILL SHERMAN, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

TWO members of the shadow cabinet yesterday appealed for support for John Smith's union reforms as officials predicted the vote at next week's party conference would be too close to call.

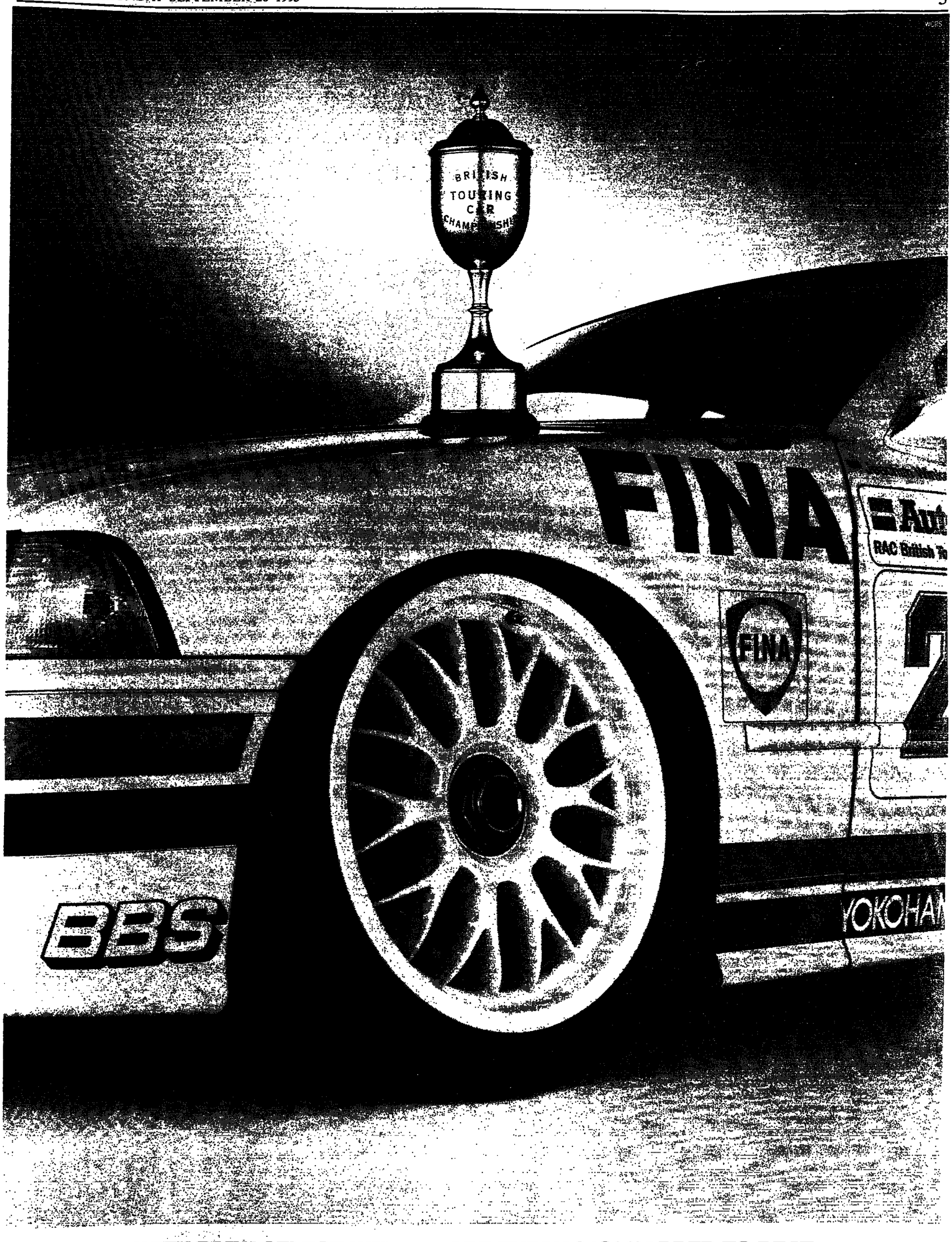
Gordon Brown, the shadow Chancellor, insisted that the tide was moving in Mr Smith's favour. "I think he can win this vote at conference," Mr Brown said. "Over the summer months a number of people who were not sympathetic have come round to his view."

Tony Blair, the shadow home secretary, said it was crucial that the party embraced the modernising reforms. "Labour must resist both the 'one more heave' school of thought and the betrayal thesis that 'we lost because we changed too much, we dumped our principles'," he said. Although Usdaw, the shopworkers union, last week moved to support the Labour leader there have been few signs of any further shift among the unions.

Constituency parties have been holding meetings in the past two weeks to decide how they are going to mandate delegates for the conference. While Mr Brown predicted on BBC TV's *Breakfast with Frost* programme that Mr Smith would get sufficient support to win the vote on one member one vote, he declined to stake his job on it.

Some party activists feel that the Labour leadership has not campaigned energetically enough in the constituencies. Mr Smith needs at least two-thirds of the constituency parties to back him, even if some smaller unions vote for the package. One party worker pointed out that the unions, particularly the GMB boilermakers union, had been actively campaigning against the reforms in every constituency.

Mr Smith has not yet decided whether the vote should be next Tuesday, the day following his conference speech, so that he could make a final appeal for support, or whether it should take place on Monday.



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A world in need of lion-hearted leaders

Lord Skidelsky opens a series of four Times essays on politics and leadership with a plea for shrewdness and courage

The Times Essay

As the conference season approaches, we complain of a dearth of leadership. The National Health Service is out of control, education is in turmoil, unemployment is rampant, inflation is going up, crime is increasing, morals are breaking down, crises abound all over the world. But where, we ask, are the men and women of vision to lead us to the promised land?

In truth, democracies are highly ambivalent about leaders. They want strong leaders to achieve great things on their behalf; but pre-eminence is a constant affront to their egalitarian sensibilities. Baroness Thatcher aroused admiration and resentment in equal proportions: we feel more comfortable with John Major's "ordinariness", but at the same time we think him too ordinary by half.

Perhaps our hunger for leaders is an illusion. Do they really make a difference or are they just froth on the tides like the rest of us, professionally obliged to believe and to make us believe that they control events which control them? Historians have always debated this question and have never managed to agree on the answer.

I think leaders do make a difference. Lady Thatcher made a difference. Professor Anthony King wrote in 1987: "Try rerunning the history of the past eight years with, say, William Whitelaw, or Sir Geoffrey Howe, or Francis Pym, or Sir John Nott as prime minister and the point is made."

Michael Foot made a difference, though not one of which he can be very proud. He led the Labour party to its worst defeat since 1931. He was, we could say, not up to the job. But he was not up to it in a peculiarly personal way. Lord Healey believes that he would have won the 1983 election against Margaret Thatcher. That would have made a difference. I think he is wrong, but the result would surely have been much closer than it was and that, too, would have made a difference.

Some leaders make no difference at all — except in the sense that they stop someone else occupying their job who might make a difference, for better or worse. But we need to distinguish between personal and bureaucratic leadership. A true leader's authority is personal. Most authority today is institutional or professional: it is the organisation that speaks when the leader utters. Bureaucratic leadership rarely makes a difference. The heads of organisations are, as they so often describe themselves, servants of bodies whose fate depends not on them but on external forces. The distinguishing mark of personal leadership is that it creates personal followership.



Skidelsky: cunning may outwit force

Leaders wielding personal authority are often called charismatic, although charisma can also attach to a supreme office, such as the monarchy, papacy or American presidency, whatever the personal qualities of their holder. Charismatic leaders have the power to inspire belief, confidence, courage, devotion, obedience, love and terror.

Hitler gave charisma a bad name. Democracies are rightly suspicious of charismatic leaders because their authority is not derived from the people or from constitutions. Yet in times of great danger, or when people want large changes, they turn to charismatic leaders. Despite their egalitarianism, parties of the left have always relied on them: Ramsay MacDonald had charisma; so did Aneurin Bevan and Neil Kinnock. The Conservatives turned to Winston Churchill in 1940 and to Margaret Thatcher in 1975. Kennedy and de Gaulle both had charisma. So does Boris Yeltsin.

What extraordinary qualities in leaders give them followers? Leaders are of two types: foxes and lions. Foxes command by shrewdness, lions by courage. The most successful leaders combine both, though in varying degrees. These archetypes run through our legends and history. Odysseus was a fox, Achilles a lion; Pericles was a fox, Alcibiades a lion; Coriolanus was the archetype of the lion.

Nearer home, President Mitterrand, a master of combinations, is a fox. Lady Thatcher is a lioness. The two animals do not, of course, exhaust political leadership types. Chancellor Kohl is more like a bull, Lord Jenkins a cat. And there have been plenty of pigs, rats, jackals and hounds in the political jungle. In the Conservative party, the hounds are chasing the not-too-skilful fox.

Intellectuals do not readily fit into the fox-lion classification and intellectuals in politics have usually been failures. Yet intellectuals are an important part of the leadership class, because they produce the ideas which men of action use. They are the secular heirs of the priests, too weak to be leaders, too strong to be followers.

The Italian sociologist Vilfredo Pareto thought that political and social health depended on the way foxes and lions were distributed in the leadership class. A successful political class in a complex society will be predominantly foxy but it must be sufficiently open to lions to secure both external security and internal prosperity. The great defect of modern politicians is excessive foxiness and deficient courage. Professor Bernard Crick has remarked that a politician "is an arse upon which everyone has sat but a man".

It may seem that foxiness lacks the power to create followership. But this is wrong. Shrewdness in leaders has always been admired, because most people are deficient in it. It inspires confidence in a leader's judgment, staying power and ability to realise projects. The foxy leader is someone who can win back by cunning what seems to have been surrendered to force.

All of this might make, at most, for temperate admiration. But there is something else. Foxiness is associated with eloquence; human lions can roar, too, but more often they tend to be strong, silent types. Eloquence is a potent factor in persuasiveness and from eloquence comes vision. We admire and even love leaders with the power to point the way forward in fine language. Lady Thatcher could be loquacious but she was not eloquent.

Our love of courage in leaders needs no explanation. In earlier times, leaders were warriors who led their tribes or armies into battle. More recently they have directed military operations from bunkers, well out of harm's way. But we still expect them to show leonine qualities when occasion demands.

Lions are usually outwitted by foxes because they lack shrewdness and suffer from an excess of pride. "The man who has bursts of rebellion, and does not know how to crook his spine," wrote Pareto, "is the worst of leaders, and his presence is tolerated among [the foxes] only if other distinguished endowments offset their defect." I think this fits Sir David Owen rather well. I was proud to be associated with him in the SDP. His admirable tenacity at Geneva shows he is acquiring foxy characteristics.

The party conference season is a time for parochial politics, when rhetoric is sure to fall far short of eloquence. But the Bosnian tragedy reminds us that the transition to a post-Cold War world will be exceptionally difficult and dangerous. The former Soviet Union, it is clear, is not about to step into Western liberal shoes.

Moreover, the European countries are economically stagnant, their postwar political settlements unravelling. With the waning of class politics, the politics of nationalism and racism are reviving. The trend of world demography is explosively against the whites, even in the United States, while economic energy is shifting from the Atlantic to the Pacific in a colossal reversal of almost 300 years of European supremacy.

Even though the historian is bound to recognise recurring patterns and long-run trends, history is not pre-determined. It may set limits to what is attainable but within those limits many outcomes, successful and unsuccessful, peaceful and bloody, are possible.

Which of the many possibilities is realised will depend on the quality of leadership. The first world war was not bound to happen. There was nothing "real" to fight about. It occurred because of the incredible weakness of European leadership. Today European nations face the task of so ordering their internal affairs, their relations with each other and their relations with the rest of the world as to achieve outcomes hospitable to their finest ideals. Shrewdness and courage at the top will both be necessary.

Lord Skidelsky is Professor of Political Economy at Warwick University and chairman of the Social Market Foundation. (Next week: Vernon Bogdanor)



Charismatic leaders in the hour of need: from the top left, MacDonald, Kennedy, Churchill, Thatcher, de Gaulle

NEW IN BRIEF

Toys may have killed children

Fire investigators believe that two children, aged 3 and 5, who died yesterday after playing with a cigarette lighter in their bedroom, might have been overcome by fumes from their soft toys.

Neighbours and fire and ambulance crews tried unsuccessfully to resuscitate Daniel and Michael Bamford, who lived with their mother Maureen in Preston, Lancashire. She is recovering in hospital.

"Unfortunately there are still cuddly toys, many of them the cheaper imports, which are stuffed with materials which give off these fumes," a fire brigade spokesman said.

Crime watchers

All 640 residents in the Cambridgeshire village of Eastrea have joined a neighbourhood watch scheme in the light of statistics which show that crime has risen in the county by 96 per cent over the past four years.

Rider dies

Jacqueline Kay, 32, an accomplished horsewoman of Todmorden, West Yorkshire, died when she fell from a horse while galloping along the shore near St Malo, France. An inquest will be opened in Halifax tomorrow.

Rings stolen

Two men ripped the wedding and engagement rings from the hand of a 70-year-old woman as she stood in the high street at Littlehampton, West Sussex, on Saturday. They also took her handbag.

Pets missing

Cat lovers in Ferndown, Dorset, fear that 12 pets which have disappeared over the past few weeks have been stolen and killed for their fur.

Bun fight

Fast food rivals McDonald's and Burger King are bidding against each other to open an outlet at the Natural History Musem in London.

Bond winners

Winners in the weekly Premium Bond draw are: £100,000, number 4SS 348399 (value of holding £100), Barnet; £50,000, 2ISW 045923 (£105), Buckinghamshire; £25,000, 1GT 813235 (£120), Somerset.

More firms stub out smoking

By Philip Bassett
Industrial Editor

MOST workers are now banned from smoking at work or can smoke in only special areas, according to an Incomes Data Services survey released today.

Only a few firms lack a formal policy on smoking and the move against smoking in the workplace has been all but won, says the study by the independent employment advisers. Of 46 organisations surveyed only three did not have a formal policy on smoking.

There has been a "sea change" in attitudes since the last study in 1991. Then, smoking policies were beginning to be accepted but were by no means the norm, the group says. Pressure has come from employees, though employers are finding that a smoking policy saves money, largely through reducing sickness and absenteeism.

The study says there are difficulties introducing smoking policies, which can cause bitterness, especially if senior managers are exempted. Offers of help to workers who want to give up can be seen as patronising or interfering if badly handled. Proposed smoking policies can also act as a lightning conductor at work, prompting other resentments and grievances among employees.

Sales of new cars slip into reverse

By Kevin Eason, Motoring Correspondent

CAR sales have gone into reverse after last month's boom, prompting fears that the recovery could be slowing down. Motor manufacturers will today study sales figures for the first 12 days of September, showing registrations down by 1 per cent after August's big rise.

Sales last month were the third highest on record at 440,000, an increase of nearly 18 per cent over August 1992. But it seems that the desire for an "L" registration number plate was less of an attraction than financial incentives from manufacturers. Suspicions that many sales were "pulled forward" from September by cheap loans, special offers and marketing programmes seem to be confirmed.

Although it is too early to establish whether the drop in registrations is to become a trend, it would come as no surprise to analysts, who gave a warning that motor dealers could face a tough autumn unless the economy continued to pick up.

Poor unemployment and inflation figures last week underlined earlier hints by Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, of a restrictive Budget. His announcement that pay will be frozen for five million public-sector workers could mean a return of the reluctance to buy that marked the past three years of recession.

Neil Marshall, chief economist for the Retail Motor Industry Federation, which represents 12,000 garages, said: "The motor industry is not going to maintain the momentum that it has enjoyed so far this year. It is very disturbing and there are signs now that the last quarter of the year will not be as strong."

The industry estimates that the true August sales figure was nearer 395,000, which means that manufacturers registered about 45,000 cars which were not officially sold but kept by dealers or placed with daily rental or company fleets at discounts of up to 40 per cent. About 15,000 cars were registered on the last day of August, nearly half to fleets buyers.

Those cars were effectively taken out of September's market, which helps explain why showrooms sold only about 38,000 cars in the first ten days of this month, the same for the first ten days of September 1992.

The industry believes that sales may recover slightly through the month and end about 5 per cent up on September last year. However, September 1992 was a weak sales month, 4 per cent down on the previous year. Mr Marshall said: "That means that the month has really stood still and we have the rest of the year to think about."

Salvage bid renewed to solve riddle

By Ian Murray

CHAINS were slipped under the hull of the sunken trawler *Pescado* last night in a new attempt to raise the wreck from the seabed 13 miles off the Cornish coast and solve the mystery of why it went down with all six crew two and a half years ago.

An attempt to raise the vessel, using remote controlled vehicles 250ft down on the seabed, was abandoned in July after ten months. The current attempt, using deep-sea divers and hauling chains, began on Saturday night and must end today.

This kind of salvage would normally cost around £5 million but John Evans, chief constable of Devon and Cornwall, agreed a contract with Stolt Comex Seaway to pay just £250,000 if it succeeds. The company offered to try to raise the *Pescado* this weekend because one of its specialist diving support vessels, the *Seaway Harrier*, was passing the site of the wreck on the way from one job to another.

If the *Pescado* is raised, it will be towed to Plymouth and examined by experts. The trawler's owner, Alan Ayres, claims he has evidence it was hit by a submarine. The families of the six crew members also want the *Pescado* raised so that a full inquest can be held. Only three bodies have been recovered.

Disraeli's turn for sex and scandal

By Joe Joseph



Disraeli: father to "secret" children?

BENJAMIN Disraeli has become the second former prime minister in a month to be linked to a spicier sex life than we once thought likely, or even possible.

In a biography due out in November, a respected American academic says the upright husband and statesman, thought to have fathered only the modern Conservative party and a few novels, may have fathered a son and daughter by two women, neither his wife. Three weeks ago the strait-laced Stanley Baldwin was accused, then quickly cleared, of keeping a mistress in a Cotswold hideaway.

The theory being put forward by Stanley Weintraub, professor of arts and humanities at Pennsylvania State University, is that the cigar-smoking Lady "Dolly" Walpole Nevill was the mother of Disraeli's son Ralph in 1865, three years before the childless but happily married Disraeli entered Downing Street. Shortly after Ralph came Kate, a daughter born to an apparently unknown and probably French mother. Lord Blake, biographer of Disraeli, said yesterday: "It doesn't strike me as very likely, but it's not impossible. I'd like to see what evidence there is." Lord Blake said he had exchanged letters with Professor Weintraub, who he emphasised was "a perfectly respectable historian, not a charlatan", and that Professor Weintraub had said his claims were based on homework and guesswork rather than clear proof.

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'This match was not so easy for me. Short is back on track' says Kasparov

Champion holds off a violent onslaught

BY RAYMOND KEENE, CHESS CORRESPONDENT

THUNDEROUS applause *from a packed audience* greeted the most exciting game of *The Times* World Chess Championship so far, which ended in a draw on Saturday when Nigel Short hunted Garry Kasparov's king into a perpetual check net.

At the end of the game, when Kasparov had had to face a hail of sacrifices hurled at his king, and with his king desperately seeking to flee the danger zone, Short could repeat the position with incessant checks from his queen to the Black king, thus forcing a draw. *Both players claimed* that they missed earlier chances to win.

White: Nigel Short
Black: *Garry Kasparov*
Sicilian Defence

1	e4	c5
2	Nf3	d6
3	d4	cxd4
4	Nxd4	Nf6
5	Nc3	a6
6	Bc4	

Short has never played this before. It was a favourite of Bobby Fischer.

6	..	e6
7	Bb3	Nbd7
8	f4	Nc5
9	f5	Be7
10	Qf3	0-0
11	Be3	e5
12	Nde2	b5
13	Bd5	

Short: "This move took me a lot of time. I had used up 62 minutes and had less than an hour to reach move 40."

13	...	Rb8
14	b4	

Short: "This is double-edged and creates weaknesses in my own position, but it gains time and is the idea behind my *move 13 Bd5.*" Kasparov: "I couldn't believe this move. In order to attack my knight Short shreds his queenside and leaves himself with permanent weaknesses."

14	...	Ncd7
15	0-0	Nxd5
16	Nxd5	Bb7
17	Nec3	Nf6
18	Rad1	Bxd5
19	Nxd5	Nxd5
20	Rxd5	

Kasparov: "My general assessment during the game was that Short's position was strategically bad. But suddenly I saw that he could get an attack against my king and I panicked."

Key moment: Kasparov panics and misses his chance

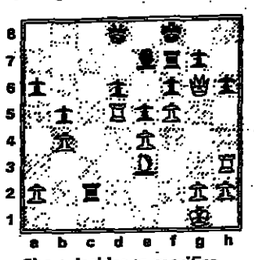
20	...	Rc8

Kasparov: "Yes, obviously, I was worried when I had to select either my rook or my queen to go to the c-file. It was difficult to decide whether the queen or the rook would be more useful in harrying White from the rear. Probably I made the wrong choice by deciding on the rook and I *might* have lost. It would be very curious to see, in fact, how Short could defend after 20 ... Qc7. Strategically, White is lost. I claim a big advantage for Black in this position, for example, 20 ... Qc7 21 Qg4 f6 22 Rf3 Qxc2 23 Rh3 Rf7 24 Qh5 h6 25 Qg6 Qxe4 26 Rd1 Kf8 27 Bxh6 gxh6 28 Rxh6 Ke8 29 Rh7 Qc4."

21	Qg4	

Short: "The weaknesses on the c-file are not important. The position is in a dynamic balance. I must attack"

21	...	f6
22	Rf3	Rxc2
23	Rh3	Rf7
24	Qh5	h6
25	Qg6	Kf8



Short decides to sacrifice

26	Bxh6	

Short: "The crisis. I decided to try the most violent method of smashing Kasparov's defences. The alternative, which might have given strong possibilities of winning, was to *switch to an attack on the d-file.* However, at the time it escaped my attention because the Black d6 pawn is so well defended. The principle variations are as follows: 26 Qh7 Ke8 27 Qg8+ Bf8 28 Bc5 Qc7 29 Rhd3 dxc5 30 Rd8+ Qxd8 31 Rxd8+ Kxd8 32 Qxf7, when White's queen against Black's *rook and bishop should win.*

Nevertheless, Kasparov may just be able to defend after 26 Qh7 Ke8 27 Qg8+ and now the star move 27 ... Rf8! 28 Qxg7 Qc7 already threatening to draw with ... Rc1+ and with further attacking plans with ... Qc4 or ... Qc3." Kasparov: "Yes, if I play 27 ... Bf8 in the above variation to parry the check I am lost, but after 27 ... Rf8 I still have defensive chances."

26	...	gxh6
27	Rxh6	Qb6+

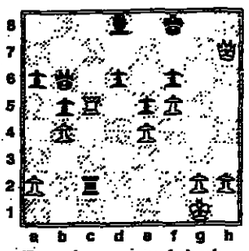
Short: "A dramatic climax. If I play 28 Kf1 Qf2 and I am checkmated or 28 Kh1 Rc1+ and I am finished. Many people thought I had miscalculated but my next spectacular move blocks the check and forces Kasparov to find the right defence."

28	Rc5!!	Bd8
29	Rh8+	Ke7
30	Rh7	

Short: "This move forces a draw. I have to avoid the trap here 30 Qg8, which apparently forces checkmate but after 30 ... dxc5 Kasparov would have vacated the d6-square for his king."

30	...	Rdh7
31	Qxh7+	Kf8

Draw agreed



Draw by perpetual check.

After the game Short said: "Today I feel good. I put Kasparov under heavy pressure." Kasparov responded: "This was the first time I was close to a loss, possibly even by force. This match is not so easy for me as many people are saying. I repeat, Short is back on track." The score now stands at 4½-1½ to Kasparov.



Short and Kasparov agree a draw in Saturday's game, with the Black king harried but, ultimately, safe

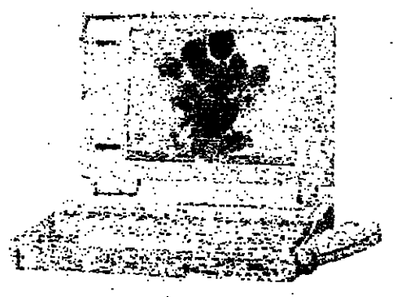
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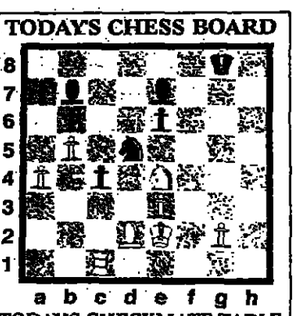
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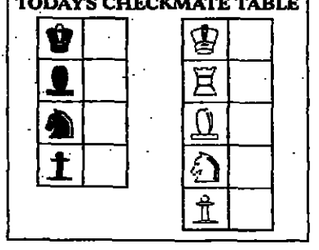
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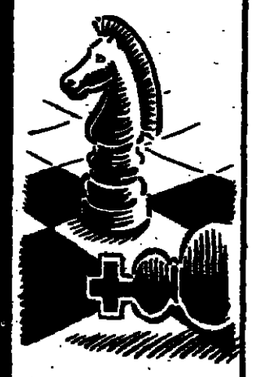


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Manchester's Olympic bid for the year 2000

Outsider runs with quiet determination

Manchester is optimistic as Peking shoots itself in the foot and Sydney's charm offensive begins to pall. **David Miller** reports

Manchester's status as candidate to host the Olympic Games of 2000 has grown in prestige over the past three days. Not because of anything that they have said or done during the final countdown, but because Peking, the favourite with insiders, has publicly shot itself in the foot.

With four days to go before the International Olympic Committee members decide between Berlin, Istanbul, Manchester, Peking and Sydney, the gap between the perceived leaders has narrowed, thanks to imprudence by China's political leaders.

Little has been discussed over the weekend beyond the statement by Zhang Baifa, the executive deputy mayor of Peking, that if the IOC does not elect the capital of the world's largest communist country, China's competitors may not turn up at the Centenary Games in Atlanta in 1996. In other words, China is threatening the IOC with a boycott.

Such verbal blackmail by Athens, prior to the 1990 vote for the centenary games, which were awarded to Atlanta against all prediction — notably a statement by Spiros Metaxa, chairman of the bidding committee, that Athens would never bid again if rejected — rebounded seriously on the original hosts of the modern Olympics. Similar reaction is possible this week among some of the IOC members known to have supported Peking's campaign up to now. A swing of only a handful of votes in a close contest can be critical.

Frantic attempts by Peking officials here to climb out of the hole dug by Mr Zhang may be insufficient to repair the damage. He Zhenliang, president of the Chinese Olympic Committee, issued a formal statement on Saturday saying that China's competitors would be present in Atlanta, but only after he had hedged during prolonged media questioning on the issue throughout Friday.

Against renewed doubts about the sporting independence of Peking's bid, and the suspicion that it is a politically orientated campaign, the positions of Manchester and Sydney, viewed as the chief rivals, have inevitably strengthened. The race has become, many consider, sufficiently open for Manchester, generally rated third favourite, to entertain realistic hopes as a compromise choice.

Mr Zhang's comments were subsequently repeated by Wu Zhongyuan, vice-president of the bid committee. The situation is bound to be unnerving for the IOC, because of its echo from the past of the Soviet Union in 1984, when the Soviet bloc countries announced a matter of weeks before the Los Angeles games they would not be attending. This was in revenge for President Carter's boycott of Moscow's 1980 games after the invasion of Afghanistan.

Senior Chinese politicians suspect, probably inaccurately, that if Peking is not selected it will be wholly due to criticism by US politicians of China's human rights record. This ignores the fact that the IOC's enquiry commission, which investigated at first hand the qualifications of all the bidding cities, rated Peking behind Sydney, Manchester and Berlin.

The past few days have confirmed what many people within the Olympic movement have long supposed: that He Zhenliang, one of the IOC's most respected figures and a regular scrutineer of secret ballot voting, carried little political weight at home. Dignified and widely admired, Mr He has successfully resolved controversial issues within the torrid, factional Olympic Council of Asia. Yet in the politics of his own country, he can act only with reference to senior authority. This was evident when he could not supply a direct answer on Friday and did so only on Saturday.

His eventual statement, saying that China would attend in Atlanta, came only after a private demand from Juan Antonio Samaranch, the IOC president, that the situation must be clarified. Sr Samaranch is said to have been visibly annoyed at speculation on a boycott by the world's most populous nation, whose Olympic involvement he has encouraged.

Inside observers say that Sr Samaranch, who makes a point of not voting on IOC issues, has cooled in his belief that giving the games to Peking might assist the social development of that country.

The mood in Monte Carlo becomes more tense by the hour, not least among the Sydney bidding committee, which is seen as being over-enthusiastic. An Australian commentator has reported that "if any one of the 91 Olympic delegates throws some salt over his shoulder in the next week, we want it to hit at least two of our people right in the eye. No mercy . . . shoot on suspicion with every charm torpedo you've got left." Such intense self-promotion can be counter-productive. Manchester is taking a leaf out of Atlanta's book in 1990: play it cool over the last few days, stand back and let the facts speak for themselves. Manchester has an outstanding bid and is happy to rest on that.

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Major carries city's torch on vital last leg

BY OUR SPORTS NEWS CORRESPONDENT

THE BID

A FUTURISTIC national stadium, seating 80,000 people, and a 650ft crystal tower piercing the skies above Manchester are the twin symbols of Britain's most committed bid to stage the Olympics since London hosted the 1948 games.

The government has underwritten the building of facilities and the running of the 2000 games to the cost of £2.5 billion. The prime minister's personal support for the event, which would provide lavish venues for sport in the 21st century and, it is hoped, regenerate the North West, will be demonstrated by his presence in Monte Carlo on Thursday for the ballot among the 91 members of the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

Despite the cost of holding the biggest sports event in the world the games are forecast to make a profit of £63 million, largely because of the income from television, modestly estimated at £416 million, and national sponsorship and advertising at £262 million.

The proposed venues for the 27 sports are scattered throughout the North West. Some of the football, boxing and volleyball would be in Liverpool, the modern pentathlon and shooting in Chester and the yachting in North Wales. However, the centrepiece will be Eastlands in Manchester, where the Olympic stadium is to be built alongside the indoor cycling track, already under construction, and the arena for badminton and rhythmic gymnastics. These lie about a mile from the city centre.

Stretching from Eastlands to the city alongside the canal basin will be the Olympic village, for which money will come from urban regeneration grants. The village will be capable of housing 15,000 competitors and officials and will be used for accommodation after the games.

The village will allow competitors to walk to many venues while the 10,000 journalists who will cover the event will be accommodated on the largest university campus in Europe. This will be empty at the time of the games, which are to be staged from July 22 to August 6.

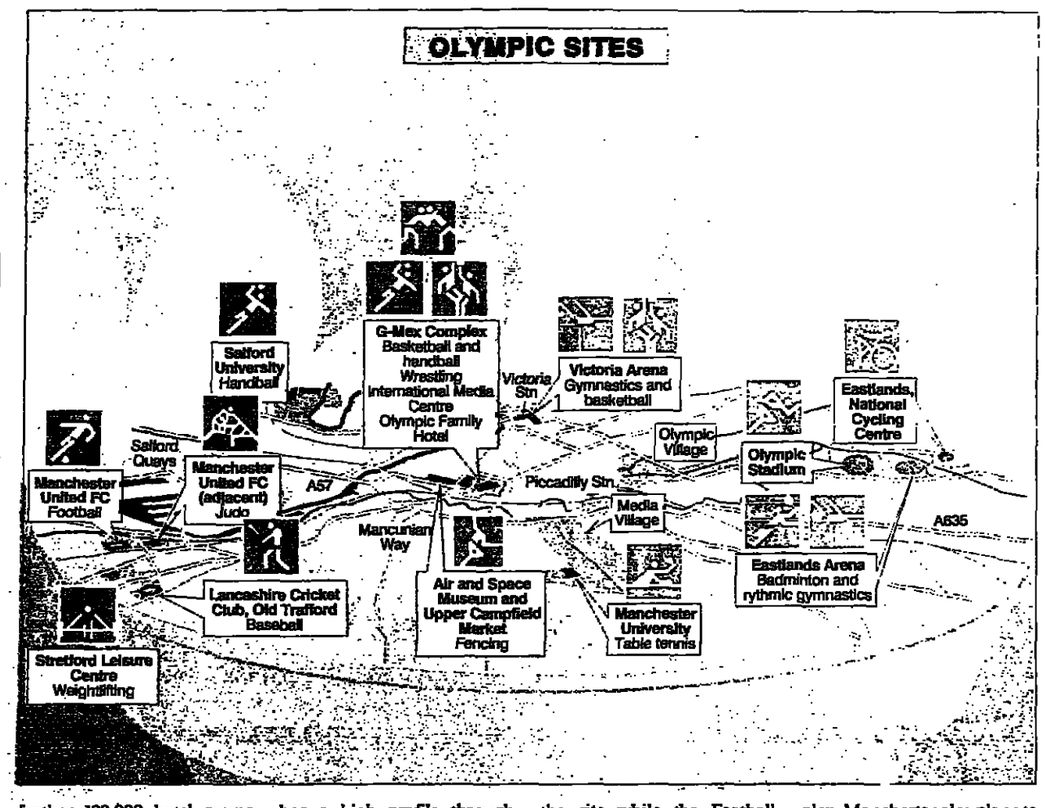
A weakness of the bid, which was highlighted by the technical report, was the lack of luxury hotel accommodation, although the city does have 14,000 hotel rooms, with about 28,000 beds, and planning permission has been obtained for hotels with a further 7,500 beds. This is a problem which has been overcome by other host cities. Many visitors to Barcelona stayed up to 50 miles outside the city or on liners moored in the harbour. There are a further 180,000 hotel rooms within an hour's drive of Manchester.

An important card in the voting will be the wholehearted support of the population of 2.6 million and the vast number of adults and particularly children who have become inspired by the Olympic ideal. For the past 12 months, every child in all 228 schools in the city has been taking part in an Olympic education programme, something which many IOC members have seen at first-hand during their visits to Britain. The city also has a high profile through Manchester United in football, a sport which Britain has ignored at the games over the past 30 years, but which for many countries is one of the most important Olympic events.

Football is the sport which must be persuaded to use the Olympic stadium after the games. It will cost about £155 million to build and there are already four bids to manage the venue. However, either Manchester United or Manchester City, and preferably both, must be cajoled to use the site while the Football Association will certainly consider switching England internationals when its Wembley agreement expires.

The indoor Victoria arena, which is being built adjacent to city-centre site of the tower, with half of its cost of £37.5 million coming from the private sector, has a greater post-games potential. Some of the facilities will clearly never make money after the games. The veledrome is being underwritten by the Sports Council, while Wigan council will operate the swimming pool complex. Manchester also plans to make sufficient money from staging the games to help fund venues in the 21st century.

This bid is far more serious than Birmingham's attempt to stage the 1992 games and Manchester's to hold them in 1996. It is compact and technically excellent, overwhelming London to receive the nomination of the British Olympic Association. Now all that can be done is to hope that Manchester's tremendous effort is reflected in the number of votes it receives from the 91 IOC members.



Win or lose, race will boost region

BY RONALD FAUX

BENEFITS

WIN or lose in the finale this week for the 2000 Olympics, Manchester has already gained handsomely in prestige and investment from the city's exuberant bid to host the games. If Manchester emerges victorious from the International Olympic Committee vote in Monte Carlo on Thursday, the sombre, former cotton capital of the world would change dramatically as investment on an unprecedented scale poured into the city.

Since Manchester launched its Olympic ambitions and became a serious contender for the games, some £200 million of private investment has already been made, some of it matching the work of the Central Manchester Development Agency but much of it attached to the coat-tails of the Olympic bid.

A £60 million indoor arena and a £9 million velodrome are being built regardless of the vote on Thursday. The spotlight shining on Manchester has illuminated the city and the North West, helping the region to weather the recession.

Dr Ted Kitchen, Manchester's planning officer, has been studying the costs and rewards. Although the infrastructure alone would cost between £1 billion and £1.5 billion, he calculates that in total the games would be responsible for an investment in the city and its surrounds of about £4 billion.

He based his assessment on Barcelona's experience in the six years between winning the IOC vote and staging the 1992 games. Unemployment halved. New roads and railways appeared along with a huge investment in hotels, flood prevention, harbour schemes and a new airport terminal. The infrastructure served the games but also rewarded Barcelona with the image of an international city that ranked as a worthy investment location.

There is no reason to doubt that Manchester would enjoy a similar boost. Graham Stringer, leader of Manchester city council, believes that in the seven-year build-up to the games 11,000 full-time jobs would be created and the volume of economic activity would be equal to ten times the current gross domestic product of the North West. "Cities around the world go out of their way to attract car plants. Holding the Olympics in Manchester would be the equivalent of between five and ten car plants in the number of jobs it would create," he said.

The British bid team sees even further rewards if Manchester is selected. Bob Scott, team leader, said: "Imagine what it would do for the North West if Manchester wins. The whole north-south axis would shift as the millennium celebrations centred on the city." It is an attractive thought for Mancunians. After all, among those with a hazy sense of geography, a perception is reported that Barcelona is now the capital of Spain. London beware.

Hong Kong will feel the heat if Peking fails

FROM JONATHAN MIRSKY IN HONG KONG

CONTENDERS

THERE will be a firestorm of fury in Peking if China is not awarded the year 2000 Olympic games next Thursday, and the backdraft will scorch Hong Kong. The Chinese are keen scapegoaters and someone will have to be punished if the International Olympic Committee passes the baton to Sydney or, worse for Hong Kong, Manchester.

Hong Kong is the obvious victim. The moral opposition to Peking voiced last week by Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, will make doubly sour his meeting on October 1 at the UN in New York with Qian Qichen, the Chinese foreign minister, which is intended to break the logjam in the Hong Kong negotiations.

Peking's revenge on Hong Kong can take many forms. It can bring the talks to a fairly sudden end, charging the British with stubbornly sticking to Governor Chris Patten's modest plan for modest democracy and seeing a chance to assume total control over Hong Kong policy.

The Chinese can resume their threats to dishonour all commercial contracts after 1997, especially those involving foreigners, which have not been approved in Peking. They can also slow down negotiations over the new airport and container port.

In fairness, Hong Kong should not be made the target for Peking's revenge. More than 80% of the colony, according to recent polls, is in favour of Peking's bid. Even anti-Peking politicians, such as the Legislative Council's Emily Lau, do not openly oppose the award. Mr Patten has expressed no opinion and most newspapers have supported the bid.

At the Holiday Inn there is a 150kg fruitcake shaped like a running shoe to be "devoured the night the Olympic decision is announced". If Peking fails to get the Games, Hong Kong will probably be made to eat humble pie, if not crow.

☐ Ten thousand demonstrators marched through the centre of Berlin at the weekend to protest against the city's bid for the Olympics (Roger Boyes writes). The protest came only days after an arson attack on three commercial sponsors of the Berlin bid.

There have been 17 firebomb attacks on Olympic sponsors since Berlin launched its bid and the protest organisers have promised to step up their actions this week. The idea is to give the IOC, meeting in Monte Carlo on Thursday, the impression that athletes would not be safe in the city. With memories still fresh of the 1972 Munich Olympics, when Israeli athletes were murdered, that may swing the vote against Berlin.

When Britain won on a shoestring

Britain's 1948 'austerity games' were a triumph inspired by Dunkirk spirit, **John Goodbody** writes

IF Manchester is awarded the 2000 Olympics, it will be the most lavish and most publicised sports event in British history. It will also be in striking contrast to 1948, the last time Britain staged the games. London was still recovering from the war, there was rationing of food and petrol and restrictions on building.

They were the "austerity games", says Sandy Duncan, a coach who later became secretary of the British Olympic Association (BOA). The government was unable to give any money, so existing facilities were adapted. "Those games were the most glorious piece of improvisation sport has ever seen. We, as a nation, are wonderful at improvisation," Mr Duncan said.

The war taught the lesson that anything could be adapted for ultimate triumph. In 1946, the International Olympic Committee asked Britain to stage the event. After the blitz, the Olympics were really not too difficult a hurdle for the British to surmount.

Teams were housed not in an Olympic village but largely in barracks and schools, some with field kitchens. Competitors were even allowed a ration of 8oz of chocolate a week. The tone of restraint is shown by the official report, which confessed almost shamefacedly that "typewriters were hired and, in some cases, purchased, but these found a ready market after the games and were therefore not a liability".

Food was sent from overseas: 100 tons of fruit and vegetables from Holland; 160,000 eggs from Denmark; and 20,000 bottles of mineral water from Czechoslovakia. The colonies provided parcels of food just as they had during the war.

Sir Arthur Gold, later to become BOA chairman, received extra petrol coupons so that he could travel to advise the high-jumpers he was coaching. John Parlett and his wife, Dorothy, who competed under her maiden name of Manley, both received extra rations as well as parcels from abroad to help prepare for the games. The British athletics team even had a training camp, at Butlin's in Clacton-on-Sea, Essex, where some competitors learnt to use what Mr Parlett called "the new-fangled starting blocks" which were used at the games for the first time.

The games were a resounding success, even making a £30,000 profit. As Mr Parlett says: "It was the first thing since the war that the British people had had to look forward to."

The Olympic torch carried by runners from Greece was escorted by Mr Duncan in a chauffeur-driven Rolls-Royce, a rare example of sponsorship. When the torch arrived at Dover, thousands crammed the quays. At Charing, Kent, 3,000 people mobbed the torch-bearer at 1.30am. The games opened in splendid sunshine, with a record 59 countries taking part, before a capacity crowd at Wembley. The event was reported by 2,000 journalists, including 134 foreign radio reporters. The BBC used a staff of 1,750 to screen more than 64 hours of the games, although there were only 80,000 television sets in Britain, largely in the South East.

Goodwill overcame many problems. The British flag was left locked in a car before the opening ceremony and the window had to be broken to retrieve it. The gymnastics were scheduled to be held in the open air at Wembley, but the British weather reverted to type and rain led to the event switching to Earls Court. A shortage of venues meant that the boxing was held on a bridge across the swimming pool at Wembley.



The organising staff of 219, supported by the army, civil servants, thousands of volunteers and endless enterprise, ensured the games flourished. The visitors did not scorn the facilities. As Mr Gold said: "They were the best available at the time. We even had programmes at 6d a time, which Barcelona, with all its fuss and palaver, did not do."

Fanny Blankers-Koen of Holland was the athlete of the games. Dorothy Manley ran in her first international against her in the 100 metres. She had been a high-jumper, but Mr Duncan watched her and pronounced "you can sprint, and I can get you into the Olympics as a sprinter".

Wearing the regulation women's shorts — no more than four inches above the knees — she entered Wembley to tackle the Dutchwoman, who had set seven world records that year, including the high jump and long jump.

Mrs Parlett remembered: "I was so petrified before the race. If I could have run away that day I would have done." She finished second behind Blankers-Koen, who went on to take four gold medals.

Rewards through sponsorship and prize money for athletics events were virtually unknown. Mr Parlett, an 800m finalist who went on to win European and Commonwealth titles, said: "The first prize for a race was not allowed to be worth more than £7."

In 1948, people did not celebrate their victories. Sir Arthur remembers Barney Ewell, of America, cavorting down the track thinking he had won the 100m. "It was not the done thing. You were expected to stand still, catch your breath and shake your rival's hand." When the photo-finish was examined another American, Harrison Dillard, was given first.

The games marked a turning point in sport. Emil Zatopek of Czechoslovakia won the 10,000m and was second in the 5,000m following a daily two-hour training regime. Soon all the world's athletes would be copying him. The era of the carefree Olympics was ending.

MARTIN BEDDALL



John and Dorothy Parlett with a picture of her silver-medal 100m finish

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German far right close to success in polls

FROM ROGER BOYES IN BONN

THE far-right Republican party was close last night to winning seats in the Hamburg state parliament, part of a Europe-wide resurgence of extreme nationalist politics.

The Social Democrat government of Hamburg was given a bad bruising in Sunday's state elections and will have to form a coalition — probably with the Greens — to stay in power.

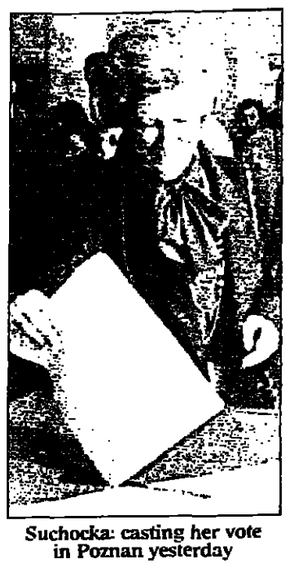
The huge defection from the mainstream parties benefited the Greens (who doubled their share of the vote to 14 per cent), an obscure Hamburg-based protest party (which picked up 6 per cent) and the far right.

The established parties had hoped that the large vote predicted for the far right would not translate into parliamentary seats. Two extreme right parties were contesting the election — the German People's Union and the Republicans — and it was assumed that would drag both groups below the 5 per cent needed to win parliamentary deputies. But the Republicans were hovering very close to the 5 per cent mark last night and most analysts, on the basis of exit polls, were predicting that the Republicans would gain as many as seven seats.

The Hamburg elections were the first in a marathon 13 months of polls in Germany. Since the Social Democrats have been ruling Hamburg for decades, the results give no sure markers for the outcome of the general election. But they do show that there is a dramatic outflow of votes from the mainstream parties: the Social Democrats lost 6 per cent support, the Christian Democrat opposition lost a hefty 10 per cent and the Free Democrats appeared to have lost all their seats in the state parliament.

Second, the election showed the resilience of the far right. Most exit polls gave the total far-right vote as more than 8 per cent, a remarkable achievement in the traditionally left-wing city. There is every reason to suppose that this success will be reproduced in the local and state elections next year. The surge of the right is now a feature of most European democracies.

Weary Poles await reincarnation of communism



Suchocka: casting her vote in Poznan yesterday

*Hanna Suchocka's harsh privatisation methods appear to have cost her the election, **Adam LeBor** writes from Stanislawow*

LIKE voters all over Poland, Stanislawow's inhabitants trooped straight from morning mass yesterday to the polling station, as the country seemed certain to swing sharply to the left in the general election.

Toppled in May's no-confidence motion by one vote, Hanna Suchocka, the prime minister from the centrist Democratic Union, is set to relinquish political power, probably to an alliance of left-wing parties and the communist-associated Peasants' Party.

Ironically Mrs Suchocka is paying the price for her government's success at financial management. But last week's letter of support from President Clinton, praising her fiscal policies, failed to boost her standing.

Even though inflation has steadied and the economy has stabilised with projections of economic growth, the harsh privatisation methods that made her the darling of the International Monetary Fund have cost her support among voters more concerned with their own money supply than that of Poland.

The old certainties under the communist system of guaranteed work and welfare have been replaced across Eastern Europe by new worries about unemployment and inflation. Voters in Stanislawow and neighbouring villages said they would choose either the former communist grouping, the Democratic Left Alliance (SLD) or the Polish Peasants' Party.

"Of course life is better now in terms of freedoms, and there is no comparison with the old dangers," said Zdzislaw Kitlinski, 66, a former diplomat.

"But now we have new ones like education, the health service, work and inflation. We never know if our pensions will keep up with rising prices." Like many who voted for the SLD, even former communist party members like Mr Kitlinski and his wife Henryka say they don't expect, and definitely don't want a return to the bad old days of collectivisation, secret police and a one-party state.

"We need a strong and clear left like we need water, but not a party like the one I was unfortunately a member of," Mrs Kitlinski said. "The priests say don't vote for the left because they will come back, but that is a stupidity. They would never get any support if they continued in the old Soviet ways. The SLD supports privatisation and membership of the European Community."

In fact there is a broad measure of consensus across much of the political spectrum about Poland's future. Among the acronyms that voters grappled with yesterday were three main groupings: the left, based around the SLD and the Union of Labour; the rural strongholds of the peasants' parties and Mrs Suchocka's Democratic Union. All are pledged to continue economic reform, but differ over pace and scale.

Other players include President Walesa's Non-partisan Bloc for the Support of Reform and the nationalist right. However, Mr Walesa has been criticised for being autocratic and out of touch, and his grouping is lagging in the polls.

While voting in Gdansk yesterday, President Walesa said that he could work with a left-wing president: "Democracy is no joke. If this is what society wants, then it must be so."

The Solidarity trade union, whose two million members make it Poland's biggest political organisation, is also expected to breach the five per cent threshold and gain seats in the Sejm, the parliament. Solidarity candidates say they are suspicious of the SLD for being too close to old-style communism, but they share a similar platform of better welfare benefits.

"We believe there is no political party which really represents the interests of working people," said Wladislaw Kielan, a Solidarity candidate in the Southern Polish steel town of Nowa Huta. "The former communists still have a lot of power and we oppose that, but we will never have that system again."

In the 1991 elections dozens of parties took part and 29 were returned, some with just one seat. Now the choices are clearer, but for some voters the array of political choices on offer was too much to cope with.

"I just put my cross by the first name on the ballot paper," said one elderly peasant man. "It's too confusing with so *many* parties and it gives me a headache."

Major tells France to back down over world trade talks

BY NICHOLAS WOOD IN TOKYO, CHARLES BREMNER IN PARIS AND GEORGE BROCK

■ **A British ultimatum to Paris, backed by *American and Japanese threats of retaliation*, could break the deadlock on Gatt. Edouard Balladur may yet compromise**

JOHN Major is threatening to bring the European Community to a virtual halt if France does not accept a Gatt deal on world trade.

The prime minister will block new initiatives from Brussels in areas such as social and environmental policy unless Paris drops its *demand for a renegotiation of* an EC-US deal on agricultural subsidies and access to markets. The tough line should also help him in his efforts to calm rebellious Tory MPs.

Britain's diplomatic offensive inside the EC would be backed up by direct retaliation by America and Japan. Mr Major believes. Selected French exports would be the target of punitive tariffs as the world slid into a trade war. The threat of British obstruction inside the EC emerged as the prime minister prepared for today's meeting with Morihiro Hosokawa, the Japanese prime minister, to discuss the Gatt deadlock. It also came on the eve of today's "jumbo" meeting of EC foreign, finance and trade ministers in Brussels that is seen as critical to resolving the dispute.

In Paris last night Edouard Balladur, the French prime minister, summoned his cabinet to fix strategy for today's meeting in Brussels after wielding new threats to apply a French veto. M Balladur says he will accept nothing less than agreement from the other EC states to reopen negotiations with Washington. His room for manoeuvre is tiny, given the reluctance of the other main EC states to give ground and the prodigious pressure from a political establishment and public that is united in the belief that France is up against an American attempt to dominate world trade and culture.

However, beyond the chorus of defiance, amplified by a supportive media, diplomats speculated that a formula would be found that would allow France to claim victory without causing the Americans to ditch the farm accords and hence the whole Gatt edifice. The draft accord contains several areas where diplomats believe France may be able to obtain "modifications and clarifications" thatwould not require renegotiation. President Mitterrand will meet Helmut Kohl, the German chancellor, in Paris this afternoon to try to defuse a crisis that pits Paris against all its main partners.

Last-minute attempts were under way in Brussels yesterday to craft compromises that would avert a rupture either between France and its partners or between the Community and America. The meeting is due to be attended by 35 ministers, thought to be a Brussels record. Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary, cut short a trip to New Zealand to attend.

Mr Major said that, with the December 15 deadline for an agreement looming, time was running out. "If we don't get a deal there is a very real chance of protectionism and trade war and dramatic difficulties for Europe and every other industrial country. "The French have very real difficulties on agriculture. They have to realise that the industrial agreements already reached are very much in the interest of Western Europe, very much *in the interest of France.*"

The Brussels meeting will be opened by Sir Leon Brittan, who will ask ministers to leave his hands free to explore "clarifications" of last year's farm deal with the Americans. He will argue that if governments rewrite his negotiating mandate or insist on reopening Blair House, the entire Gatt deal will be lost.

Germany holds the key to the outcome of today's talks. Officials from Herr Kohl's office have warned French officials that they do not want the meeting, which was called at French request, to sign the "death warrant" for Gatt.

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Abkhazia withdrawal agreed



Georgian volunters boarding a plane in Tbilisi yesterday en route to Sukhumi

BY OUR FOREIGN STAFF

GEORGIAN and Abkhazian representatives were reported last night to have signed an agreement to withdraw their forces from the war zone in Abkhazia.

"The warring sides signed an agreement on the simultaneous withdrawal of troops and hardware from the conflict zone and on pulling out armed formations within 24 hours," Tass said. The agreement was reached at three-way talks in the Black Sea resort of Sochi, attended by representatives of Russia, Georgia and Abkhazia.

Eduard Shevardnadze, the Georgian president, earlier yesterday had appealed to the world community for help against the rebel offensive in Abkhazia. Speaking from the besieged city of Sukhumi, Mr Shevardnadze said that Georgia was "being pushed into the abyss of non-existence".

Western journalists in Sukhumi reported scenes of desperation at the airport as thousands of civilian refugees struggled to get on to planes flying out after delivering reinforcements. Soldiers fired into the air to disperse the crowd.

Some Georgian civilians fleeing had already escaped once from Sukhumi but returned to their homes after the Russian-brokered ceasefire on July 28. Since the Abkhazians broke the ceasefire with their offensive on Thursday, according to the Georgian military 47 people including at least 12 civilians have been killed on the Georgian side.

In his statement yesterday, Mr Shevardnadze also appealed to President Yeltsin of Russia and repeated his earlier belief that the key to a settlement lies in Russia.

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REPORT FROM TUZLA

WHOEVER IS guilty of creating the hell that is Bosnia today, Adisa Ekrem and thousands of children like her are the innocent victims.

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Church marks treasure's return

BY OUR FOREIGN STAFF

NEARLY 50 years after being looted and lost to sight, some of Germany's most fabulous medieval treasure was restored to its original church resting place in Quedlinburg, eastern Germany, yesterday.

Twelve of the Quedlinburg artifacts of gold and precious *stones were removed by an* American army officer from Texas in 1945 when Germany was overrun by the Allies, and sent to the United States by military despatch.

The pieces, taken by Lieutenant Joe T. Meador, whose unit was assigned to guard the treasure, had been collected over the centuries by German kings and emperors. They came to light again only when put up for auction in Switzerland in 1988 after his death.

Since then, the federal government and the Saxony-Anhalt state have spent about £4.7 million to secure their return, restore them and ensure their security in Quedlinburg's St Servatius *church. Some of the works* were traced to a bank vault in Whitewright, Texas. Germany paid nearly £660,000 to avert a costly court battle for their return. Meador's heirs were paid about £2 million as a 'finder's fee'.

Waldemar Ritter, a senior official at the federal interior ministry, said the work of collecting them together again symbolised the process of German reunification.

Izetbegovic casts aside Owen's hopes of deal

FROM TIM JUDAH IN BELGRADE

LORD Owen and Thorvald Stoltenberg, the international mediators, worked frantically over the weekend to secure backing for the Bosnian partition plan which they hope will be signed in Sarajevo tomorrow. But President Izetbegovic dashed hopes expressed by *Lord Owen that a deal was* "tantalisingly close".

Mr Izetbegovic declared: "What was offered in Geneva we rejected, and we will reject it again if they make the same offer on Tuesday." John Mills, the mediators' spokesman, said: "If there is no sign of getting signatures on the agreement, then the meeting will not take place."

It was not clear whether President Izetbegovic really meant what he said or was making threats in an attempt to chivvy his foes into making more concessions.

All three sides in the Bosnian conflict desperately need an end to the war. The Croats are losing territory and President Tudjman's government fears *that sanctions are a real* possibility now that the international community equates its aims and methods in Bosnia with those of the Serbs.

The Serbs need signatures on a peace deal to have sanctions lifted, and the Muslims need to put an end to the war, unless they are prepared to sacrifice tens of thousands of dead this winter.

On Friday the mediators met President Milosevic of Serbia and then spent the weekend talking to Croatian leaders. The main stumbling block to any partition deal remains the demand by President Izetbegovic's government for more territory and access to the sea for the Muslim rump state that will remain after any deal.

Mate Boban, the leader of the Zagreb-controlled statelet of Herceg-Bosna, said: "We will never concede any Croatian territory." Bosnian Serb leaders also reiterated their adamant refusals to cede the Muslims any more territory.

On the battlefields, fighting subsided after ceasefires between the Muslims and the Croats, and the Muslims and the Serbs, came into effect.

Israel clears way for Demjanjuk to leave

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN JERUSALEM AND IAN BRODIE IN WASHINGTON

THE Israeli supreme court ruled yesterday that John Demjanjuk, who was acquitted in July of being the Nazi death camp guard known as "Ivan the Terrible", would not be retried in Israel and was free to leave the country.

Justice Theodore Orr ruled against petitions by Nazi-hunters and survivors of the Holocaust demanding a new hearing against Mr Demjanjuk for allegedly being a guard at the Sobibor death camp in Poland and the Flossenburg concentration camp in Germany. Yoram Sheftel, Mr Demjanjuk's defence attorney, said his client, who was extradited from America to Israel in 1986, would remain in his maximum-security cell at Ayalon prison near Tel Aviv until a member of his family arrived in Israel.

Mr Demjanjuk's overjoyed family in Cleveland, Ohio, made immediate plans to collect him. The Clinton administration has decided not to ask the US Supreme Court to bar his admission. However, Ukrainian-born Mr Demjanjuk, 73, will still face legal hurdles over alleged war crimes. Janet Reno, the attorney-general, said she would try to prevent restoration of his American citizenship, revoked in 1981 because he lied in the 1950s on his immigration papers about his Nazi past.

The court's announcement brought immediate condemnation from Holocaust survivors and Nazi-hunters, who insist Mr Demjanjuk is guilty of being the sadistic gas chamber operator at Treblinka, in Poland, who personally exterminated 850,000 Jews from the Warsaw ghetto. Pinhas Epstein, who identified Mr Demajanjuk during his trial in 1987, said he had no doubt that a guilty man was walking free. "All of the war criminals now in the US, England, Canada and other countries will not be afraid because they know that the state of Israel is not prepared to place them on trial." Efraim Zuroff, director of the Simon Wiesenthal Centre, and one of the petitioners who tried to have Mr Demjanjuk retried, called the decision a victory for war criminals still in hiding.

An appeals court in Cincinnati, which is investigating whether the US justice department withheld evidence that might have helped Mr Demjanjuk challenge his extradition order, has ruled that he should be allowed to return to Ohio to testify. Mr Demjanjuk denies having been a guard at any Nazi camp but admits he was forced to join the German army after he was captured in the Crimea. He says he lied to US immigration about his war record to avoid being repatriated to the Soviet Union.



Demjanjuk Nazi-hunters want him to be retried

Clinton gambles on utopian designer's health reforms

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

An Oxford-educated millionaire who eats his own sandwiches on Concorde is the brain behind the Hillary Clinton package. America is waiting to see his prescription

THIS is the week that will see the unveiling of a centrepiece of the Clinton presidency, the culmination of eight months' work by Hillary Clinton designed to shake up the huge American health care system. It is also the biggest week in the life of a less high-profile figure than the dazzling First Lady: Ira Magaziner, an unshakeable idealist and visionary who has devoted most of his 45 years to improving the human lot.

Until now the focus of Mr Magaziner's great utopian designs have been, in turn, his summer camp, his university, an entire town, an entire state and finally multinational corporations. Most of these experiments flopped. No matter. In January Mr Clinton entrusted his old Oxford friend with his choicest guinea pig yet: a US health care system as big as Britain's economy.

The gangly, eccentric millionaire consultant (he even eats his own tuna sandwiches on Concorde) set to with missionary fervour, assembling a 500 experts, subdivided into 15 "cluster groups" and 34 working groups. For eight months Mr Magaziner worked seven-day weeks and 16-hour days, rushing home to tell his three young children good-night stories before returning to meetings that sometimes lasted until 3am.

With his command of detail, he stripped the gargantuan health care system down to its nuts and bolts and then rebuilt the parts into the utterly different creature that Mr Clinton will unveil formally on Wednesday. Mrs Clinton is the plan's midwife, charged with easing its political passage and presenting it to the world, but it is unquestionably Mr Magaziner's baby.

Mr Magaziner can never be accused of thinking small. If implemented, his plan will affect directly every American and represent the biggest social change since Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal. It is so complex and radical that it has achieved the rare feat in Washington of rendering potential enemies almost speechless. It is the work of a brilliant theoretician, but whether it will work is anybody's guess. Essentially, what Mr Clinton will be asking America to do is to take a giant gamble on a plan that one Congressman described as a "beautiful animal in fairyland, but unseen on earth".

From childhood Mr Magaziner has been full of grand schemes, but not all were rooted in reality. At 15, as a summer-camp waiter, he led a strike against working conditions that collapsed after two days. He was fired. His fellow waiters got pay rises. As a student radical at Brown University in the 1960s he



Magaziner: work of a brilliant theoretician

found the courses too rigid, so produced a 425-page report outlining a new free-form curriculum that he induced the faculty to adopt. On graduation day, he persuaded almost all his year to stand with their backs to Henry Kissinger to protest the Vietnam war.

Mr Magaziner went off to Oxford as a Rhodes Scholar, met Mr Clinton and organised further anti-war demonstrations. He and a band of youthful fellow reformers then resolved to rescue the dying industrial town of Brockton, Massachusetts, through community activism. Hundreds of citizens initially enlisted, but the experiment fizzled out within two years.

In 1979 he set up a management consultancy called Telesis, Greek for "intelligently planned progress", in Providence, Rhode Island, and began advising multinational companies such as Ford and General Electric. He failed to save Wang Laboratories, and nearly persuaded Utah to chase the mirage of cold-fusion, but insists he had "one of the most successful track records as a business consultant".

Mr Magaziner's most ambitious project was to transform Rhode Island into one huge high-tech industrial park. He rallied political and business leaders behind an 11,000-page report called the Greenhouse Compact, then put it to a referendum. It was rejected by a four-to-one margin.

Mr Magaziner sold Telesis for $6 million (£3.9 million) in 1988, enabling him to devote much of his time to *pro bono publico* work on social and economic issues. Last year he threw himself into Mr Clinton's presidential campaign. He wrote large chunks of *Putting People First*, Mr Clinton's manifesto, and it was he who championed the seemingly oxymoronic concept of "managed competition" on which the health plan is anchored.

Mr Magaziner's admirers consider him one of the most brilliant men they have ever met. To his detractors Mr Magaziner is a "nut" who sprinkles "fairy dust" on problems. America may soon discover which camp is right.

☐ **Aid review:** Washington is to propose a review of its criteria for allocating foreign aid programmes, basing decisions on the global environment, as well as demographic and economic factors, an administration official said.

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"Politically correct" Kimberly Aiken, right, receives her sceptre from Leanza Cornett, the former title-holder

Miss America reigns over homeless

FROM JAMES BONE IN NEW YORK

A BLACK teenager who pledged to help the homeless was crowned yesterday as the winner of the new "politically correct" Miss America contest.

Eighteen-year-old Kimberly Aiken, of South Carolina, was picked from five finalists in Atlantic City, New Jersey, each of whom was required to explain her platform, the special cause she planned to promote if chosen as Miss America. Miss Aiken's commitment to the homeless easily overwhelmed her rivals' concern with such topics as "maths literacy" and "adult day care".

Miss Aiken even disclosed that she had an uncle who lives in a shelter for the homeless in New York. "We sometimes donate food and clothing to homeless shelters, but we never see what happens to them," she said, wearing a black gown with a sheer bodice.

"I've seen a lot of homeless people. I've worked in homeless shelters. It's something we all need to get involved in." A student of music and accounting at the University of South Carolina, Miss Aiken said she wanted to work for the Internal Revenue Service.

Although new rules were instituted this year to update the 72-year-old event, none of the 50 participants took advantage of the provision allowing them to wear trousers for the first time in the evening wear section. The finalists appeared in bathing costumes, although the show included a telephone poll among viewers on whether the controversial physical fitness in swimwear section should be abolised. Preliminary results released at the end of the contest, showed that 60 per cent of callers wanted to retain the swimsuit section, which organisers call the event's "Achilles heel".

As well as the title, Miss Aiken receives a $35,000 (£22,800) college scholarship, a car and an estimated $200,000 in speaking fees.

NEWS IN BRIEF

James Caan questioned in murder enquiry

New York: James Caan, the actor who made his name playing the son of an Italian gangster in *The Godfather*, found himself caught up in a real murder investigation at the weekend after the body of a man was discovered in the courtyard of an apartment building he was visiting (James Bone writes).

Caan, 54, whose career also includes roles in *A Bridge Too Far* and *Rollerball*, was questioned about the death, together with an unidentified man and woman believed to live in the 11-storey building in Los Angeles.

A resident said the man may have fallen, jumped or been thrown from the eighth-floor flat. Some local reports said he had been shot in the head.

Civilians hurt

Mogadishu: American United Nations troops attacked two houses allegedly used by Somali warlord General Mohamed Farrah Aidid's militia, injuring three civilians. Earlier, troops killed a nurse and hurt 24 civilians when they fired mortars near a hospital.

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Sailor dies

Johannesburg: Two crewmen from a stricken Russian freighter were plucked from the icy South Atlantic but one later died and rescue officials said hopes of finding survivors were fading. The ship was abandoned after its steel cargo shifted. *(Reuter)*

King restored

Phnom Penh: Cambodia's legislature has adopted a new democratic constitution, paving a way for Prince Norodom Sihanouk, the veteran leader, to become king, restoring him to the throne he vacated in 1955 in favour of his father. *(Reuter)*

'Spy' retrieved

Cape Canaveral: Astronauts used the space shuttle Discovery's robot arm to retrieve a £46 million German ultraviolet telescope deployed for six days to study stars in the Milky Way and beyond, giving data about their cycles and composition. *(Reuter)*

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Arafat and Rabin launch joint crusade to win over Arabs

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN CAIRO AND RICHARD BEESTON IN JERUSALEM

■ **Syrian support is the key to securing a consensus on peace. Israel and the PLO are on a diplomatic offensive aimed at isolating opponents such as Libya and Iraq**

THE peace deal signed by Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organisation was only the first step to regaining all the territory occupied in the 1967 Middle East war, including east Jerusalem, Yassir Arafat predicted yesterday.

Speaking in Cairo to foreign ministers from the Arab League, the PLO chairman denied that the deal, giving limited Palestinian control of the occupied Gaza Strip and the West Bank city of Jericho, was a sellout.

Less than a week after their historic handshake, Mr Arafat and Yitzhak Rabin, the Israeli prime minister, were in different parts of Egypt yesterday, beginning the hard grind of diplomacy, vital if the hopes they aroused are to be realised. As Mr Arafat tried to enthuse the Arab ministers, Mr Rabin left for Alexandria for talks with President Mubarak.

In his third encounter with an Arab leader in less than a week, Mr Rabin was expected to thank Egypt for assistance during secret negotiations with the Palestinians, and to ask Cairo to act as a diplomatic catalyst again. Israeli officials said there were no plans for Mr Rabin to meet Mr Arafat during the four-hour visit.

However, both visits shared a common purpose, to expand acceptance of their accord in the Arab world, particularly Damascus. Outright Syrian support is regarded as the key to securing Arab consensus and isolating opponents, such as Libya and Iraq.

The Israeli officials played down reports that Mr Mubarak was trying to broker a summit between Mr Rabin and President Assad of Syria. Mr Rabin has said that an agreement with the Syrian leader could be forged only at the highest levels. Israel and Syria are split over terms for peace and the return of the



Israeli-held Golan Heights. The Israeli leader would like Cairo's assistance in persuading Syria, and its ally Lebanon, to be more flexible in negotiations with Israel. Although President Assad has said he is in favour of a "land for peace" agreement with the Jewish state, he has done little to curb the activities of hardline Palestinian groups based in Damascus which are opposed to the Israeli-PLO agreement. The semi-official Cairo weekly, *Akhbar el-Yom*, quoted Mr Assad as saying that he planned to visit Cairo "in days" to discuss the peace process with Mr Mubarak.

Lingering doubts about the accord in Arab circles and about Mr Arafat himself, notably among the Gulf states angered by his backing for Iraq in the Gulf war, was apparent in the subdued reception given to him in Cairo. "This was no victory speech as far as the audience was concerned," one Arab diplomat said.

However, Mr Arafat told the foreign ministers: "The agreement we arrived at (with Israel) is only the forerunner to a final settlement which must be based on complete withdrawal from all occupied Palestinian lands, especially holy Jerusalem." Delegates clapped politely when Mr Arafat started his speech and applauded again when he left. But they listened to him in silence.

Lebanon's pro-Iranian Hezbollah vowed yesterday to fight against the peace deal and said the United States and Israel would never control the future of the Middle East. In Beirut, thousands of Shia militants held a rally to protest against Lebanese troops who shot demonstrators opposed to the peace pact.

An estimated 7,000 Hezbollah supporters and officials of Palestinian factions attended the rally in the southern suburb of Haret Hreik, a Shia stronghold. There was no visible Lebanese army presence near the rally, where leaders denounced the killing of militants by troops last week and the Arafat-Rabin peace accord.

Troops killed eight demonstrators and wounded 30 last Monday in the worst confrontation between the army and the pro-Hezbollah protesters since the end of Lebanon's 15-year civil conflict in 1990.

☐ **Tunis:** Mr Arafat and his wife Suha, are expecting a child, *Al-Ra'i al-Amma*, a Tunisian newspaper reported. It did not give any date for what it termed the "happy event". If correct, the child will be their first. Mrs Arafat could not be reached for comment, but last week she had denied that she was pregnant. *(AP)*



An activist waves the Palestinian flag and gives the victory sign as he leads a convoy of farmers in support of the Israeli-PLO peace accord through Jericho



Vatican reaches accord

BY OUR FOREIGN STAFF

VATICAN and Israeli negotiators have reached an agreement that will lead to diplomatic ties soon and clear the way to an historic papal visit to the Jewish state, diplomatic sources said yesterday.

The agreement was reached during the 14-month commission's latest meeting in Jerusalem last week and approval by the Vatican's Secretariat of State and the Israeli foreign ministry was a virtually certainty, sources said. It was made possible by the historic accord, signed a week ago, between Israel and the Palestine Liberation Organisation.

The agreement's 14 points cover items of mutual interest, such as the legal status of the Church in Israel or its territories, taxation, religious tourism and a stand against anti-Semitism. Wider issues, regarding the Palestinians and guarantees for Jerusalem as a city sacred to Jews, Muslims and Christians, were left to the Washington talks.

Israeli sources said relations would be boosted by an unprecedented meeting between the Pope and Yisrael Meir Lau, Israel's chief rabbi, in Italy on Tuesday.

Tourists attacked in Egypt

BY CHRISTOPHER WALKER

A PARTY of 22 French tourists narrowly escaped injury at the weekend when Islamic gunmen attempted to ambush their cruise boat from a Nile-side banana plantation, but missed.

The failed ambush on Saturday, near the Islamic militant stronghold of Assuit, was the second mounted against tourists on the Nile in Upper Egypt in less than a week. The attacks are being seen as a response by the militants to recent government claims that tourist numbers have begun to recover. Tourism has gone through a lull recently, with a 60 per cent drop caused by the terrorist campaign against visitors.

In the Nile resort of Aswan on Saturday, the militants also assassinated Brigadier General Mamdouh Muhammad Osman, the third police general they have killed this year. Twenty-four hours later, their campaign to topple the government continued when a man in the Upper Egyptian town of Dairut, who had barred militants from sticking pro-Islamic posters on the walls of his house, was shot dead.

The Egyptian authorities have ordered extra security in advance of the October 4 vote in which President Mubarak, the number one target of the Islamic terror groups, is standing for a third six-year term in office.

Jackson enrages Orthodox Jews

■ **The American singer's world tour has been beset by problems. His visit to the Wailing Wall provoked more controversy**

BY RICHARD BEESTON

MICHAEL Jackson's ill-fated world tour ran into trouble again at the weekend, when the American singer upset ultra-Orthodox Jews praying at Judaism's holiest shrine.

Jackson, whose sponsors Pepsi Cola are involved in a row with the Jewish religious establishment over a kosher certification for their product, appeared unaware that his arrival in Jerusalem, surrounded by cameramen, was considered a desecration of the sabbath by many observant Jews. "Go home Michael Jackson, you are an abomination," shouted one *yeshiva* (seminary) student, as the performer was greeted by howls of protest and a makeshift barricade blocking him from the Wailing Wall in Jerusalem's Old City.

Even Yisrael Lau, the Chief Rabbi of Israel, who happened to be in the vicinity at the time of the fracas, intervened. "I am delivering a lecture on atonement for next week's Atonement Day. Maybe he should attend," said the country's spiritual leader. It was not clear whether he was referring to the latest controversy or the other problems which have beset Jackson this summer, in particular allegations by a teenage boy that he was sexually molested by the singer.

In Israel, parents of children selected to accompany Jackson in his song *Heal the World*, expressed concern for their well-being. Gabi Bibi, the father of a deaf boy aged nine, who was chosen to appear on stage for Jackson's concerts in Tel Aviv and translate the song into sign language, said he would not allow his son Shai to be alone with the performer.

The controversy in Israel follows a spate of mishaps on the tour. The performer got off to a bad start on the first leg of his trip in Asia when he fell ill. In Moscow, half the tickets to his concert went unsold and those who did attend were drenched by heavy rains.

However, Jackson should take some consolation from the fact that other famous musicians have also encountered difficulties in Israel. Elton John fled the country earlier this year before his performance, after a run-in with airport security and Israeli photographers. He was eventually coaxed back.

No matter how controversial Jackson's visit becomes, it is unlikely to cause the same furore as the scheduled performance by Madonna in Israel next month. She has already been denounced by Raphael Pinhasi, an ultra-Orthodox MP, as the "holy whore of Babylon".

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In the first of two articles on military counter-proliferation, The Times looks at buyers and sellers

Spy agencies join forces to combat secret arms trade

BY MICHAEL EVANS, DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

PRESIDENT Clinton is expected this week to announce proposals to ban the production of nuclear-bomb grade material worldwide, as part of a drive to stop the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

Mr Clinton's statement, which could have a significant impact on Britain's nuclear weapons programme, coincides with one of the most intensive undercover intelligence operations since the end of the Cold War.

The CIA, Britain's MI6 and other Western intelligence services have joined together to try to stem the spread of nuclear, chemical and biological weapons to Third World countries. The proliferation of these weapon systems poses the gravest threat to world security, according to senior intelligence experts. One main concern is that countries engaged in developing weapons programmes are also chief suppliers. China, it is feared, will become the greatest supplier to the proliferators in the next ten years. The Chinese are already the biggest missile suppliers, with the North Koreans catching up.

With more than 20 Third World countries known to possess or to be developing ballistic missiles, linked in many cases to nuclear, chemical or biological weapons programmes, counter-proliferation has become a top concern of intelligence services.

Libya's ambition to develop chemical weapons is high on the list of intelligence operations. In the late 1980s, Muammar Gaddafi began building a chemical warfare plant at Rabta, 40 miles south of Tripoli. It was mothballed after worldwide publicity. Now, in great secrecy, Colonel Gaddafi is building a second chemical warfare factory on the outskirts of the village of Ras Fam Mullaghah, near Tarhuna, 40 miles southeast of Tripoli. The new facility is being built underground.

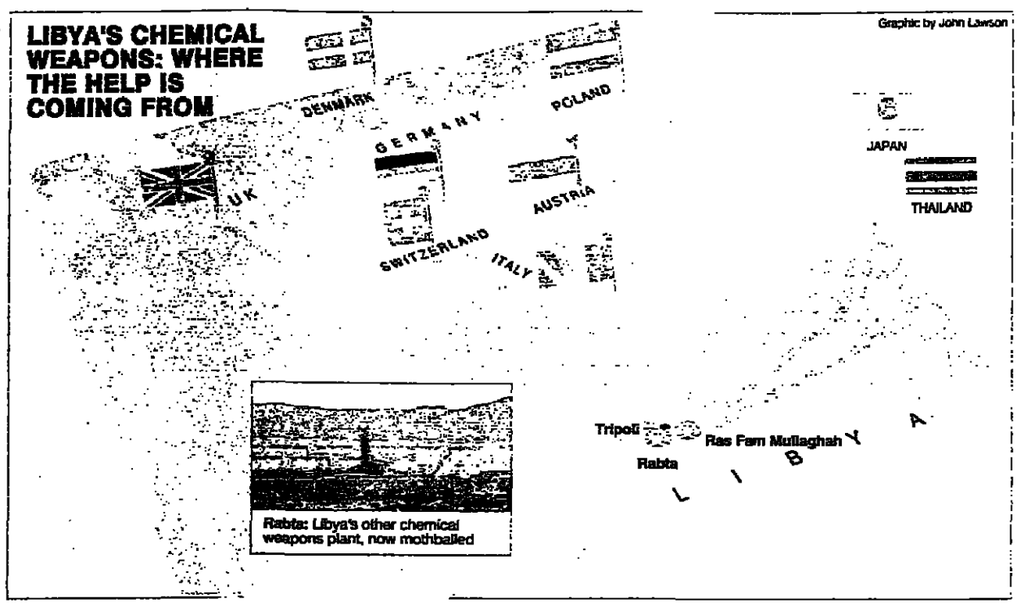
European companies — including some from Britain, Germany, Denmark and Italy — are suspected of being involved, unwittingly, in supplying equipment for the new factory. Western intelligence services, backed by American satellite photography, are keeping a close watch on the construction. When Britain and America discovered that a German company, Westfalia-Becorit, was supplying tunnel cutting machines, they issued a warning to the Bonn government. The German firm had been told the equipment was for building road tunnels for a river project.

In spite of United Nations sanctions imposed on Libya in April 1992, Colonel Gaddafi appears to have no difficulty in buying components for the new plant, most of which are believed to have reached their destination via firms in Thailand. Thai engineering experts have also been employed to manage the construction and run the plant. Other firms suspected of being involved are Swiss, Japanese, Austrian and Polish. The new plant could start production in two years, according to Western intelligence sources.

In Britain, MI5, MI6, GCHQ, the government's electronic eavesdropping centre in Cheltenham, Customs, the Foreign Office, the defence ministry and the department of trade and industry all work closely to combat the proliferation threat. As soon as the first hints emerge of a suspect buyer for dual-use equipment, steps are taken to warn all the potential suppliers to watch out for particular customers from known front companies acting on behalf of governments or companies on the list of risk countries. The two regions of greatest concern are the Middle East and Far East. The premier league of states in the market for clandestine purchases of key components and material are Iran, Iraq, Libya, Syria, Egypt, India, Pakistan and North Korea. India is suspected of exporting chemicals, such as trimethyl phosphite, to Syria for the production of chemical weapons. Egypt, which has a chemical plant at Abu Zabal near Cairo, has also received suspect chemical supplies from India. Since May 1992, it is believed that 90 tons of thionyl-chloride, which is used in the production of mustard gas, has been shipped to Egypt.About 250 tons in other chemicals have been sent from India. Cairo's renewed interest in chemical weapons was noticed a year ago.

According to experts, the spread of chemical and biological weapons programmes poses a greater challenge than nuclear projects. One intelligence expert said: "Unlike nuclear weapons programmes, the material for chemical and biological weapons is freely available on the market. Europe has tightened the laws to prevent the relevant precursors from being sold into the wrong hands but the procurement agencies of countries such as Libya and Iran turn to India and China for supplies."

Next: the former KGB con artists making millions selling fake material





Melanie Verwoerd shakes hands with Nelson Mandela, the ANC president, in Cape Town

A Verwoerd speaks up for the ANC

FROM MICHAEL HAMLYN IN CAPE TOWN

WHEN Nelson Mandela came to Cape Town to address the hopes and fears of the white community, he was supported on the platform by a moving and lengthy speech from a small, red-haired young woman with green eyes and a famous name.

Her speech was greeted with rapturous applause and she was enfolded in a large embrace by the African National Congress president. Her name was Melanie Verwoerd.

Mrs Verwoerd, 26 years old and a feminist theologian, joined the ANC two years ago, and eight months later persuaded her husband to do so as well. Her husband, Wilhelm, is the grandson of Hendrik Frensch Verwoerd who was the architect of grand apartheid, and who said of black South Africans: "There is no place for him in the European community above the level of certain forms of labour." Verwoerd was born in The Netherlands, and it was on a visit there in 1986 that his grandson began to send to his future wife clippings and descriptions of Mr Mandela's tribulations, arousing her interest in liberation politics. "I didn't know anything about South African politics," she said in Stellenbosch, home of the university which has long been the intellectual centre of Afrikanerdom.



Hendrik Verwoerd

Verwoerd was a don at Stellenbosch, before he became a politician. His oldest son, Wilhelm's father, also Wilhelm, still teaches there. Young Wilhelm teaches political philosophy there, and Melanie studied there.

Her political curiosity sprang into life when she came to Oxford accompanying her new husband on his Rhodes scholarship at Corpus Christi college. Both rejoiced in the contacts they made with South African exiles. "It was something else," she said, "for the first time to meet young, angry black people who tell you about your own country, and you just don't have a clue about what they are telling you." This was the era of P.W. Botha, and there was little she felt she could do for fear of the security police. "So England was a wonderful opportunity," she said. Oxford had given her some of the best times of her life. Wilhelm was offered various jobs and the family — they now had a daughter, Wilmé — could have stayed in exile. "We had a long and hard think about it and we realised that we owed the country a great deal,for our education, and that we really wanted to come back and contribute." It was easy to fall back into the old patterns and revert to "us and them" thinking, however. So she decided to join the ANC in September 1991. In April 1992 Wilhelm joined. The Verwoerd family was not pleased. "His father has made it very clear that we are not very welcome any more. The relationship has broken down completely."

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The fly-on-the-wall television documentary is about to claim another set of victims — but they've asked for it

Show-offs learn the hard way



LIBBY PURVES

There are, of course, fly-on-the-wall documentaries we all want to see. I have spent much of the past two days longing to know how H.M. headed off her Australian visitors from difficult subjects at Balmoral. "A walk up the glen, perhaps, before tea, Mr Keating? The views from Corriemurther are remarkable, and only 15 miles by the bog route." And later: "Oh dear, the dog — your trousers — perhaps you would like to go upstairs?" Or did the boiler, perhaps, fortuitously explode or a horse stick its head through the window just as he got as far as "Repub . . .'? We had a pig gallop across the lawn once, just as lunch guests were getting embarrassingly overheated on the subject of Freemasonry and the Catholic Church. It worked perfectly.

But we can only dream of sharing such moments. The trouble with real fly-on-the-wall documentaries is that they only ever show the kind of people who want to be in them. Noeline Dohaher may fulminate against Paul Watson and his brutal editors, but it was she who let them in, thus betraying a certain lack of mental balance and decorum before one single frame was shot. Perhaps it was different once, but if there is any lesson to be gleaned from the history of television, it is that if a camera crew tries to film your domestic interior you should drive them away with pitchforks. The more they talk of "honesty" and "social truth", the more seriously you should consider installing a drawbridge and boiling oil. And if some stage-struck relative has already let them in, the safest course is to pull out the main fuse, set off the burglar alarm and retire into the cupboard under the stairs.

But it is too late to warn Karen and Simon, Vidya and Matthew and Emma. They will have to learn the hard way. These poor gullible babes (one with a real baby of her own) are Manchester University students, bribed with free lodgings to make a public spectacle of themselves. They will be filmed from today onwards and seen weekly as *The Living Soap* from October 15. We shall no doubt be told how typical they are, although I never knew a typical student yet who was not crippled by the rent and engaged in constant guerrilla warfare with the landlord.

It may also be swept embarrassedly under the carpet that of the five, one yearns to be a television presenter, one wants to work in advertising, another is the student Labour Club chairman and the fourth a slinky specimen of what the Germans call an "Ich-bin-so" who boasts of going to gay clubs a lot ("although I'm not gay myself") and tells the press that "I'm quite different. Daring. I've got a sense of humour . . . I won't let the filming cramp my style". In other words, these are all more or less congenital show-offs. Even the one who isn't, a promising anorak doing a diploma in audio systems in the basement, has got a yen to be a sound engineer and is clearly in it to get close to real sound engineers and chat about boom-mikes and mixers all day. The really typical students in the story seem to be Karen's friends, who — while she is "quite happy to be filmed in a relationship" — have informed her that they won't be coming near the house "because they don't want to be on TV".

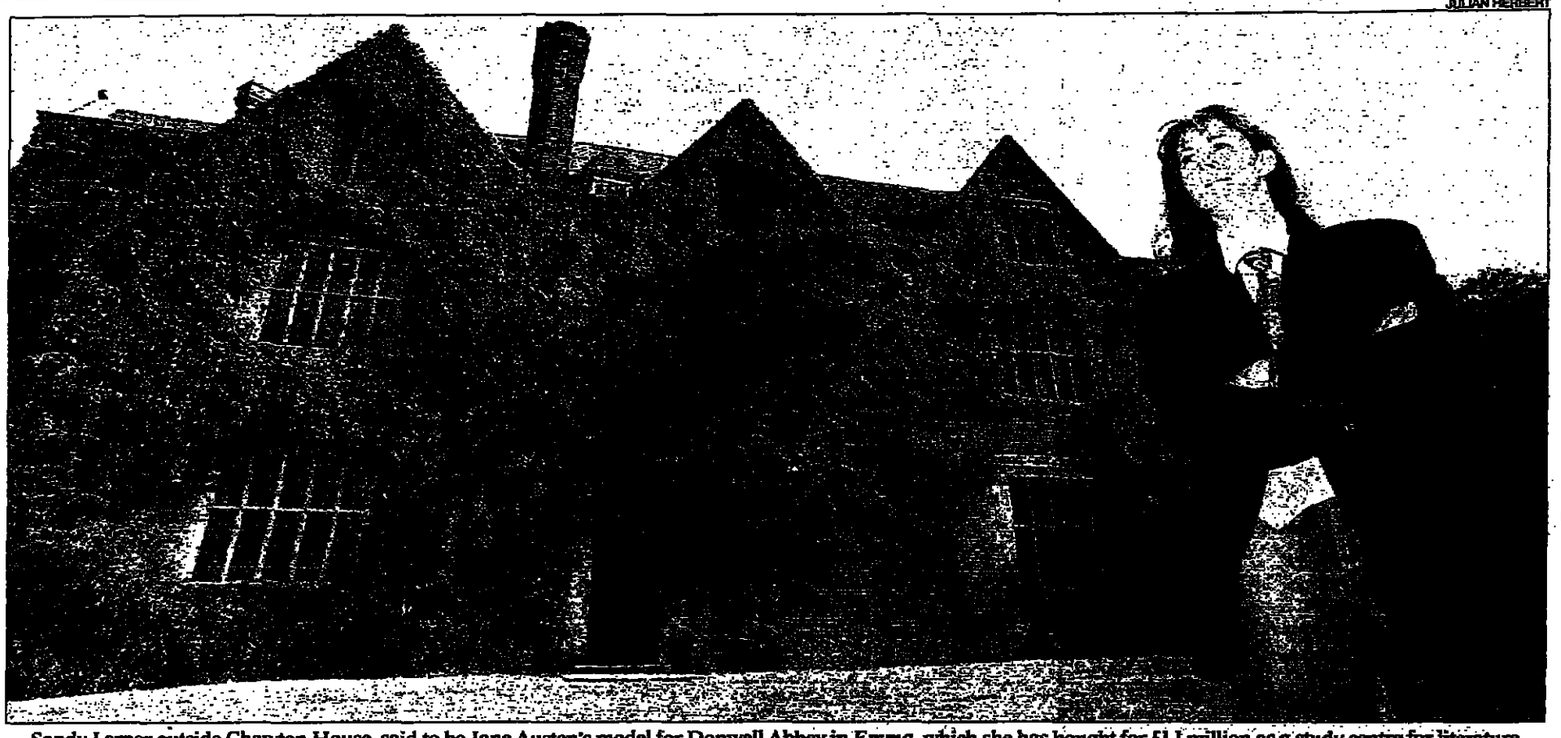
Still, even the most ambitious show-offs must get drunk or tired or furious enough to forget the cameras occasionally. We may see flashes of authenticity, scenes of youthful house-sharing which bring back dreadful memories of our own. Will they do the bit where someone eats someone else's last egg and hides the shell in the bin, and the owner digs deep and pieces together the shell to show his initials clearly visible? Or the tearful fight between the house vegetarian and the thoughtless carnivore who left a film of lard on her pet wok? Will they read out their poems to each other at 3am?

When the camera focuses on the stiffening underpants behind the radiator and the puddle of rancid coffee in the bathroom, will there be a digital date flashed up to show how many weeks they have been in the same position? Who will be the first to start spending nights elsewhere, and will the producer demand that the room be vacated unless he/she returns to lead a full emotional life on-camera as per contract? Conversely, will they hold a rent strike (ie refuse to show any crowd-pulling emotions at all) when the plumbing packs up and the BBC landlord blames them and sends a bill for putting "inappropriate items" down the pan? How much screen time, exactly, is going to show them crouching in front of the television shrieking with horror at the sight of their own three-quarter profile?

They might, of course, have good tribal fun, but at a grim price. During the early 1970s, Dave and Gill and Andy and I kicked a football together in the park on Sundays and eked out our cheap nights at the pub by playing gravel-spitting in the car park (you take a fistful of gravel, say "Wooarr, I've got a throat like a parrot-cage", put the fist in your mouth and cough into it, spilling gravel disgustingly all over the ground). It got us through those difficult, half-baked, poverty-stricken years quite nicely at the time. But I am quite glad there is no risk of televised repeats every three years.

My £1m love for Austen

Rachel Kelly meets the American obsessed by a literary passion



JULIAN HERBERT

Sandy Lerner outside Chawton House, said to be Jane Austen's model for Donwell Abbey in *Emma*, which she has bought for £1.1 million as a study centre for literature

It is hard to be cynical on meeting Sandy Lerner. Of medium height and in her late thirties — she looks far younger in her cowboy boots and jeans — she has angelic looks and is slim with plaited auburn hair and green eyes.

Then one learns that she and her business-partner husband reaped more than $100 million from selling their computer business, Cisco Systems, in California three years ago, a vast slug of which they have given to charity.

Their charitable foundation is named in "loving memory" of their parents (hers were farmers) and has already distributed more than $25 million, chiefly in support of scientific education and animal welfare. There is a picture of a kitten toying with a ball of wool on her business card.

The couple live quietly in the suburbs of Seattle with their three cats. They have no children. When we met last week, she was driving a small hired red Rover.

Finally, one hears that she is to pour money into Chawton House, a crumbling listed pile on the edge of Chawton village, near Alton in Hampshire. The oak floors are twisted, the gardens overgrown. How many millions will be soaked up by the mansion with its leaky roof and subsiding Victorian wing is uncertain, but Ms Lerner has already spent £1.1 million buying the house. "You worked hard to save that last £25,000, I seem to remember," she joked in an aside to Christopher Kaufman, her lawyer and co-director of the foundation.

And all because the lady loves Jane Austen. Jane never lived at Chawton House, but at a cottage down the road which is now a museum. It was her wealthy brother Edward who owned the house. He in turn lived at his far more handsome house at Godmersham, in Kent, but spent four months at Chawton one summer while Godmersham was being repainted.

Jane almost certainly visited its wood-panelled rooms, although it is unlikely that she wrote any of her novels there. Edward had 11 children, whose presence would hardly have been conducive to a woman who relied on the creaking door at her own Chawton cottage to warn her of visitors.

No matter. For Janeites and Sandy Lerner, Chawton is Jane Austen. All her novels were published from Chawton. Its glades, parkland, cottages and coppiced woodland inspired and infused her six novels.

Chawton House is said to be the model for Donwell Abbey in *Emma* ("rambling and irregular, with many comfortable and one or two handsome rooms . . . Emma felt an increasing respect for it, as the residence of a family of such true gentility . . .")

Jane almost certainly walked round the grounds of the gabled red-brick house with its Elizabethan centre and Regency extensions with her sister Cassandra or her niece Fanny Knight. As the author of an article in *Country Life* wrote, describing Chawton in 1945, we may picture the slim high-waisted figures, pacing the avenues and lawns or lingering by the sundial in the kitchen garden.

It is enough for Ms Lerner to feel that the house is perfectly suited to her plan to establish a centre for the study of Jane Austen and other seventeenth and eighteenth century women writers and playwrights, Fanny Burney and Aphra Behn chief among them.

Students and academics culled from Britain's universities would be invited to enjoy Ms Lerner's own library of some 1,000 volumes of the period and reflect on some of the literary conundrums of the age — but not to compete with the museum at Chawton cottage.

Ms Lerner had just attended her first parish meeting, soothing the sensibilities of locals who feared she might turn the house into a Disney theme park or rival Austen museum. Jean Bowden, the curator of Jane Austen's cottage, officially known as "Jane Austen's House", has now blessed Ms Lerner's plans. "It's lovely that she is prepared to spend all this money on a study centre," she says.

Ms Lerner admits she is "utterly hooked on Jane Austen". She discovered the author, she says, at Stanford's graduate school, where she was studying computers. Then came the BBC's production of *Pride and Prejudice*, which was "absolutely fabulous". She bought Elizabeth's dress.

It was at a Jane Austen Society meeting in California that she first heard Nigel Nicolson speak of the uncertain future of Chawton House.

"I feel Jane Austen's skill is to sum up a person's essence in a few sentences and she has such a good sense of humour."

The books are "a tremendous escape from a high pressure job", Ms Lerner says. (She and her husband have just started a second computer company in California. Their first developed a box which enabled different brands of computers to communicate.) "Her books are about gentler times. You don't have to have your senses brutalised."

> 'Every time I read her books, it's like looking under a pillow and finding a ruby'

Although she is wary of calling herself a "feminist" in Britain and prefers to label herself an "independent spirit", she appreciates what she sees as Austen's spirit. "Jane Austen was not a conservative. She turned down two marriage proposals in order to write, perhaps for the money or for the sake of her art," Ms Lerner says.

She cried when she read the last of her novels "because they were all gone. Benjamin Disraeli apparently read *Pride and Prejudice* 17 times, and I stopped counting when I reached that number. But my favourite is *Persuasion*. I can't put it down. It's very masterly, confident. Jane Austen no longer relies on the literary allusions of the earlier novels."

She is positively glowing as she slips into her rich Californian drawl, after rather more clipped exchanges about the tricky negotiations involved in buying the house from the receivers. It was to have been turned into a golf course by developers, who bought the house from the Knight family, descendants of Edward Austen, four years ago and have since gone into receivership.

Ms Lerner continues: "I find something new every time I read her books. It's like looking under a pillow and finding a ruby." Sydney Parker is her favourite hero: Mr Darcy, she says, is not her type.

Her immediate concern is to make the building structurally sound. Her aim is to restore the house and grounds, circa 1800, with the co-operation of English Heritage and the East Hampshire district council planners. Inside, the atmosphere should be conducive to students staying up late, nursing a cup of coffee and discussing the finer points of Austen's style. Ms Lerner will probably be indistinguishable among them.



Believe it or not, they're related.

This autumn, John Major and his cabinet colleagues will decide on the extent of Britain's overseas aid programme for 1994. Around the same time, world finance ministers will be meeting in Washington to discuss the debt crisis affecting Africa and the rest of the Third World.

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Chill of reality in paradise UK

Jersey prided itself on having no dole, until the recession arrived

WHEN Mark lost his full-time job as a bricklayer he was desperate. His savings would pay the bills for the moment and the odd bit of casual labour was coming in, but a new school term was starting and his children needed new shoes.

Mark could not go on the dole or draw income support because he lives in Jersey, where such benefits do not exist. Instead he had to go to his connétable — the Jersey version of a mayor of a parish — and ask for money. The connétable agreed to help, studied a list of shoes and gave Mark the cash to go and buy the ones he had earmarked.

This informal system is just one of the anomalies of Jersey, a palm-fringed tax haven that belongs to the British Isles, where everyone speaks English, watches the BBC, shops in Safeway and holds a British passport — but insists on total independence from the government on the mainland.

The current British government, however, or at least those on its very right, must find much to envy in Jersey. No VAT, no death duties, no wealth tax and low income tax have made the island the third richest country in the world. The crime rate is low and public morality is upheld by a panel that can censor any entertainment liable to encourage "idleness or slackness" in the population. The good life is kept exclusive. Only a few millionaires a year are allowed residency; other immigrants (who are mainly English) must live in lodgings for 20 years before they can rent or buy a house.

Most envy-making is the system of welfare, designed to deter all slackers and scroungers. Welfare, according to one official, is an "English disease" reserved for the neediest. In Jersey the merits of each case are weighed up by the connétable and rewarded accordingly. In many cases, welfare will be granted in return for some work for the parish — a thriving version of John Major's pet vision of "workfare".

Unlike the British, Jersey people are extremely reluctant to ask for a handout. Unemployment is a new phenomenon on an island which, until recently, was so prosperous that it passed a law preventing new jobs from being created. But a severe recession has meant that for the first time around 800 people, one per cent of the population, are having to fall back on the bounty of their parish. In a tiny, gossipy place, however, such a step is often the last resort. "Going 'on the parish' would be the end of the line for me," one man told the local citizen's advice bureau. "I've had two periods of unemployment this year when I've lived on cash drawn on credit cards rather than apply for welfare payments."



THOSE who do apply have no guarantees. A member of the Jersey Democratic Movement who, like everyone critical of the system, would not give her name, says: "To get anything here, you have to be whiter than white. The welfare system is utterly discriminatory and has been abused by the connétables, who will not help someone they dislike. No reason need be given if someone is turned down and often help is granted with a string of conditions attached, usually that it is not spent on alcohol or tobacco."

Most people agree that the system's weaknesses are also its strengths. Francis Le Gresley, the director of the citizen's advice bureau, says: "The island is so small that each claim can be dealt with imaginatively and usually generously." As unemployment grows, however, there may no longer be time to look at individual cases. Ironically, as the cabinet grapples to transform the British system, in Jersey pressure is growing to bring in a formalised system based on that in the UK.

JULIA LLEWELLYN SMITH

Designers may have suffered a seismic jolt — but they can still take comfort by keeping everything dark

Casting a black look







Left: Monica Zipper, fashion designer, wears black brocade roll neck tunic, £169, Ghost, Whistles, 14 Saint Christopher's Place, W1, and branches nationwide (071-487 4484).

Right: Annette Russell, owner/director So Dam Tuff model agency, wears black brocade jacket, £570, Anne Demeulemeester, Browns, 23-27 South Molton Street, London, W1



In the latest issue of *Mirabella* magazine, the actress/model Lauren Hutton reveals that the make-up artist-of-the-moment, Dick Page (who is the toast of New York with his minimalist approach to beauty), has taught her something new. "I've never worn much make-up, but it was a lot compared with the amount Dick uses," she says.

What is surprising is not that it took Ms Hutton so long to learn something new about make-up, but that after 30 years in the business (she will be 50 this year) she should still be asked to expound on the subject on the beauty page of one of America's most glossy glossies.

More shocking still was to see her saunter down the catwalk in Calvin Klein's autumn/winter show, side by side with Kate Moss (at 19, less than half her age), modelling almost identical outfits. Whatever happened to the days when a model's moment of fame was estimated to be shorter than her skirt?

Fashion has taken some curious twists in the past few seasons. The overall aim of grunge was to re-evaluate the situation and shake up the sensibilities of the establishment. It attempted to make the unexpected the norm and show that something supposedly ugly (the mismatched fabrics, uneven layers, and scrappy make-overs) could be mistaken for something beautiful.

It was just the jolt that fashion needed to get it out of the doldrums. The effect has been to shatter illusions which were as artificial as a fake Rolex. How many women can really afford to spend hour upon hour painting their faces to perfection, just like Linda or Christy? If a model can expect a good two or three hours of primping and preening by professionals before she can face the camera, how long will it take in the real world?

That the likes of Lauren Hutton have resurfaced, and



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are once again strolling the runways or swapping beauty tips on the pages of fashion magazines, indicates a significant move away from artifice and pseudo-glamour. As there is a demographic shift in the direction of an older user-friendly society, so fashion must offer up images which fit the bill. Suddenly, fashion can be for everyone, for all ages, as women reclaim the right to dress as they please.

Possibly the most pleasing colour for women (of all ages and sizes) to wear is black. Black is certainly flattering; it suits all sorts, all complexions. Choosing a wardrobe filled with black makes it much easier to get dressed. Everything matches.

It has been no secret to the fashion cognoscenti that black is best. At every show, every party, the fashion press appears in all its finery — invariably head-to-toe in black. The conversation always returns to the fact that whatever they may expound in their editorials, whether or not shrieking colour is the rage on the page, they inevitably turn out dressed like widows.

Fortunately, this season designers have seen the light, the predominant mood for the season being dark. Every show featured a line-up of black, shadowy figures. For day, evening and even in between, black looks were cast from the catwalks. Every designer had something to say, from the black, boiled-wool sweaters of Helmut Lang to black lace slip-dresses by Gianni Versace. Extreme fabrications, tough or fragile.

Where Jean Paul Gaultier made an overcoat of quilted black satin, Ralph Lauren chose dramatic black leather. Basic black dresses in wool, stretch-velvet and knit were omnipresent at the collections. The simpler the better.

The high street has lots more to offer — all the shapes needed for the perfect winter wardrobe. Make the most of the well-priced merchandise by picking pieces to create your own distinct version of the designers' visions.

This season in particular nothing could be easier. Fashion's current mood emphasises a woman's individuality. Be bold. Make a statement and, if you want to make it loud and clear, paint it black.

Above: Lady Lucas, Annie Moore, fashion consultant, wears black silk vest, £100, black crêpe jacket, £290 (made to order 071 834 9688), wide black satin trousers, £120, Benny Ong, Harrods, Knightsbridge, W1, Isabella, 53 High Street, Ascot, Berkshire, Jenners, Princes Street, Edinburgh, Collections, 1 Wilson Street, Hull, Humberside, Baccarat, 54 Main Street, Uddingston, Strathclyde, Total Image Fashion Ltd, 80 Hagley Road, Old Swinford, West Midlands

Far right: Alexis Harris, photographer's assistant, wears black tie wrap dress, £247, Ghost, Harrods Way In, Harrods, Knightsbridge, SW1, Brown Thomas, 26 Grafton Street, Dublin, Warehouse, Glassford, Glasgow

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Untutored in economics, aeronautics or medicine, I should be grossly impertinent, within the compass of a single light column, to propose theories in all three fields, so here goes.

My three theories are loosely related. They came last Tuesday while walking a 10,000ft peak — *Pico del Infierno* — in the Catalan Pyrenees. By 7,000ft, altitude begins to tell. One breathes harder, aware of a thin headache. Mouth, nasal passage and throat grow dry. Sleep can be interrupted by strange, breathless panic attacks.

Where, I thought, did I last experience such effects? It was on an 11-hour intercontinental flight. Flying stratospherically, cabin pressure (thus oxygen content) is reduced to the equivalent of up to 10,000ft altitude. Airlines never talk about this, but I am convinced that such sharp changes to our breathing take a toll on passengers' and crews' comfort, and help explain jet lag. I resolved to research this...

...And moved to my second hypothesis. I have never understood why thin air should produce the symptoms it does. At sea level we cope happily with oxygen deficits when we exercise — by breathing hard. At altitude all we need do — and we can — is breathe harder or slow down: as though every slope were steeper than it looks.

That, I hypothesised, may be the key. We do look. Our breathing is not just reactive — to the bloodstream's chemical signal of oxygen deficit — but pro-active: we learn to size up the task ahead and begin breathing harder in advance, to charge the blood. How many runners, like me, find themselves yawning just before a race? We do an unconscious sum, estimating future oxygen demand. What happens at altitude is that we get that sum wrong, persistently under-provisioning ourselves with oxygen. After some hours the symptoms of what we call altitude sickness are felt: a chronic deficit.

If I were right, I thought, wouldn't the cure be to override that calculation and breathe harder than feels natural? Experimenting, I made myself pant like a train, starting *before each slope*, like a bad actor faking exhaustion or a husky dog on a hot day. It worked. The headache retreated. I commend my theory to medical science.

But it is my third theory on which I should most appreciate your thoughts. "Anticipatory panting" works because it meets an expected deficit with early and vigorous preventative action: indeed, apparent over-reaction, apparently premature. Likewise, a little tugboat steering a great ship does not wait until the liner veers off-course, then tweak. He is too small, she is too heavy, and the time lags are too long, for tweaking. An early kick, not a late tweak, is needed. So he anticipates, tugging the larger vessel for all he is worth and at right angles to her motion. As soon as she responds, he anticipates her overshoot by racing over to the other side, tugging hard the other way.

Actually (though less violently) you steer a car like this too, instinctively anticipating overshoot before it occurs, by a series of sharp jerks. To steer straight you must never wait until you have strayed off course, then correct until you hit the mark again — or you will find yourself well to the other side, doing what engineers call "hunting" the mark: swinging to each side of the mean, each correction amplifying rather than dampening the oscillation — as the needle of a worn speedometer or a novice punter on the Cam does. A sharp anticipatory correction, implemented before it appears necessary and abandoned before its purpose seems accomplished, averts the error.

> 'I made myself pant like a train, starting before each slope, like a husky on a hot day'

Is this the mistake we make with economic policy? Are we unwittingly deepening the troughs, elevating the peaks and amplifying the business cycle, by stimulation when it is too late (when the economy is near the bottom of its bounce) then dampening too late (when the cycle is already near its top)?

"Economic policy," said a governor of the US Federal Reserve, "is like pulling a brick on a piece of elastic. You pull and pull, and nothing happens. Then you pull again and the damn thing flies up and hits you in the face!" Well, *try* pulling a brick smoothly on a length of elastic. You can. The trick is to release tension sharply the moment the brick begins to respond.

It's hard for elected Chancellors to justify choking off a recovery until growth is obviously unsustainable: hard to justify bold stimulating until recession's grip is beyond dispute. So we take a series of timid measures, always one step behind events, growing bolder only as trends sharpen.

But perhaps if you really wanted to knock the oscillation out of the system, the time to stimulate — and vigorously — would be just after the top of the cycle; and the time to brake — and hard — would be just after the bottom?

Such were my hypotheses atop *del Infierno*. "Some people say I'm gaga," as Bertrand Russell once remarked, "but I'm not."

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Wallpaper evenings on the small screen

William Rees-Mogg

The television issues which worry the politicians are not the issues which most concern the public. The politicians are talking about the BBC's charter, which has to be renewed by the end of 1996, about Rupert Murdoch's combined ownership of newspapers and satellite television, and about the limitation on British newspapers owning shares in the ITV companies. These proper questions are not being much discussed in homes up and down the land. Rare is the wife who nudges her husband at two o'clock in the morning to say: "did you see that Peter Brooke called on the BBC to drop its 'Auntie knows best' attitude?" Even rarer is the child who calls out: "Mummy, I want Conrad Black to have a level playing field with Signor Berlusconi."

The public is not usually interested in the people who own, manage or administer television; they are interested in what and who appears on the box. They watch *Neighbours* and *Coronation Street*; they admire Kate Adie's courage and Jeremy Paxman's chutzpah. They do not know who George Russell is.

Successful television depends on the variety and quality of the programmes. They have never given complete satisfaction. Television is a voracious medium; it demands to be fed all the time; there is never enough good material to satisfy its appetite, and there never has been.

Nevertheless, people are now complaining that television is duller than it was, that they can spend whole evenings without finding something to their taste, and that they are watching less. They complain particularly about the summer schedules. They think that there was a golden age in which *Brideshead Revisited* and Kenneth Clark's *Civilisation* jostled with each other night after night. Of course no such golden age ever existed. The television series which are remembered with the greatest affection were always rare, and there were often gaps of years between one memorable series and the next.

The truth is that there is now much more television, and there will be still more to come, that some types of television have improved both in quantity and quality, but that some other types of television are going through a dull period. First of all, one can count some of the blessings. As a compulsive viewer of news and current affairs programmes, I feel that I have never been better served. Whatever the John Birt reforms have or have not achieved, BBC news and current affairs have never been stronger. This may be partly a matter of temperament. In the days when Bill Cotton was managing director of BBC Television, light entertainment was stronger than news and current affairs. Now the opposite is true.

The great defect of the old BBC news system was that it tended to lack independent authority; usually newspapers had stronger professional commentators, both in foreign and domestic affairs. This is no longer true. Peter Jay explaining the ERM crisis, or John Simpson explaining the Gulf war and Bosnia, have had at least the authority of the best print journalists.

Unfortunately the strengthening of BBC news has not been matched at ITN. For many of the past 40 years, the ITN news at ten o'clock — now threatened with abolition — was more interesting than the BBC news at nine. Now the BBC wins almost every night. *Newsnight* is also an excellent current affairs programme; the decision to fix the start time at 10.30 proved crucial to its success. Satellite carries two 24-hour news programmes, Sky News and CNN, and Sky News includes the American CBS and ABC news services.

My chief regret, apart from the decline of ITN, is that British news and current affairs give too little opportunity to the talents of women presenters and interviewers. *Newsnight* has Sue Cameron, but even Anna Ford is underused. As gifted an interviewer as Maya Even, who used to be David Frost's co-presenter in his Sunday morning show on TV-am, is not currently employed at all. Women are often very good on television, and some men are very dull.

Satellite television has added greatly to the variety of programmes; its chief handicap is that the most popular channels are the movie channels, and Hollywood in the past 20 years has made too many bad films. Some of these are bad for the reasons Michael Medved has criticised; they are sick, violent and reflect anti-human values. Others have been bad for lack of quality of production — compare for instance Alexander Korda's *The Four Feathers* of 1938 with the more modern remake. Television needs good family films — there is an enormous market for them — but too many 1970s and 1980s films were not aimed at that market, and television cannot show films that were never made.

When people say that television is not what it was they are probably thinking of high quality popular entertainment, not films, and of the main terrestrial channels, BBC1 and ITV. They are also probably thinking of the peak viewing period from eight to ten o'clock. Last Thursday night the BBC scheduled at that time a nature programme, a sitcom about geriatrics, the news and then another geriatric sitcom, a repeat.

ITV scheduled *The Bill*, a family sitcom and *Die Hard 2*, a film about a superman who takes on a "gang that threatens to take over an entire airport". *The Bill* is always just about watchable, the television equivalent of a sound county batsman who is never going to play for his country. The geriatric sitcoms have brilliant pairs of actors — Graham Crowden and Stephanie Cole, Richard Wilson and Annette Crosbie. *One Foot in The Grave* has been excellent, but last Thursday night neither of the scripts was at its best; the actors were given little that was interesting or amusing to say or do; that seemed a waste of their talents as well as of viewers' time.

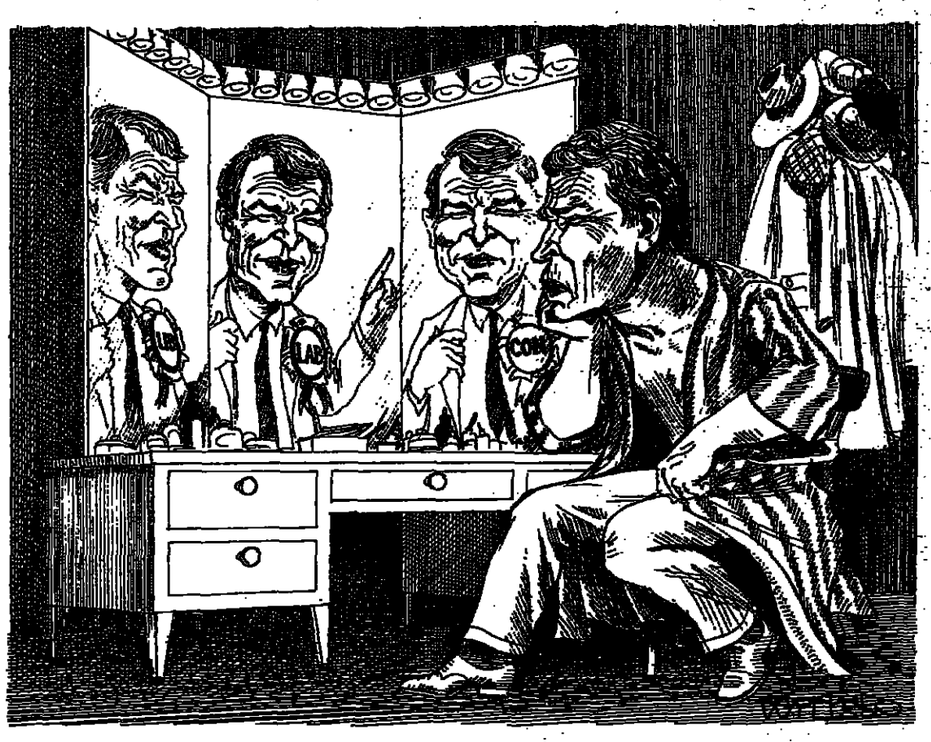
On Friday the BBC offered *The Generation Game*, the news and the start of quite a good 1987 film. ITV had *You Bet!*, a "charity celebrity challenge show", at eight o'clock, and followed that with the first part of Danielle Steel's *Star*, described as "a made for television romantic drama about a young woman whose success as a night club singer takes her further away from the only man she has loved". *You Bet!* I did not watch, you bet. I did not watch the romantic drama either.

Although *The Bill* never gives its wicket away cheaply, and Richard Wilson is as compulsively watchable as David Gower, these are wallpaper evenings. All one can say of this scheduling is that a compulsive television viewer could have sat through both evenings without distress, but a non-addicted viewer might reasonably have preferred to read a book or go out to the pub. Will Wyatt has apologised for the number of BBC repeats this summer.

I am not sure that this is what Peter Brooke meant by criticising the BBC for an "Auntie knows best" attitude. In any case no member of this government could properly criticise any institution for being out of touch with its constituency. None of this television would do any viewer moral damage, and the human mind can recover surprisingly quickly even from watching *The Generation Game*. But these are the main channels of public television entertainment. Their scheduling reflects a lack of energy, a lack of editorial imagination, a lack of interest in the reasonable expectations of a mass audience. It is not good enough for the main BBC and ITV channels to wobble through the September evenings with offerings of second and third class entertainment. *You Bet!* it is not.

Two leaders in two minds

Both Major and Ashdown need clearer goals, says Peter Riddell



The future of John Major will overshadow the party conference season. Even in the sun of Torquay, it is impossible to write about the Liberal Democrats without discussing the rumblings in the Tory party. Their fortunes are interlinked. But the Liberal Democrats cannot count on the Tories remaining in disarray: "still in a dreadful hole", as Kenneth Clarke conceded yesterday.

The current position is not sustainable. Mr Major and his entourage in Tokyo are angry with the media for focusing on the Tory leadership rather than on his efforts to boost exports. That is understandable, but Mr Major's appeal yesterday for party unity and an end to "stupid internecine squabbling" will not end the speculation. The Tories face a genuine leadership crisis.

Forget the public criticisms of Sir Richard Body and John Carlisle. They are bitter mavericks, "devils on the fringe" as Mr Major has dubbed them. The real threat to Mr Major is the restlessness and jockeying for position at the top of the party. The more loyal a senior minister is in public, the surer you can be that he, or his aides, are manoeuvring in private. "*Friends of...*" has become part of the hypocrisies of political dialogue. That feverish process may already have developed a momentum which it will be hard to stop. Mr Major will have to wage a permanent campaign to safeguard his position. Either he regains the initiative and silences the critics, or someone else (aka Mr Clarke) will take over within the next year.

There is no certainty that changing the leadership will boost Tory fortunes, as it did after November 1990. It could confirm the public's doubts that the Tories have been in power for too long. But, short of the type of disintegration seen at the end of the Balfour government in 1905, the Tories should sort themselves out one way or another in the next 18 months, aided by firmer evidence of sustained economic recovery.

On past precedent, many former Tory voters who have deserted to the Liberal Democrats should return to the fold. Christchurch, though not necessarily Newbury, should be Tory again after the next election. But the current Liberal Democrat advance is not just another mid-term blip. Not only is the party better organised and united than the two parties of the old Alliance, but it has succeeded in concentrating its support on target seats. It is no longer a party of protest but of power in local government (on its own or shared) in much of southern England. The party could win three or four Euro-seats in the south-west next year, which would send tremors through Tory MPs. Even discounting Paddy Ashdown's claim yesterday about being on "the verge of a breakthrough", normally cautious party strategists are talking about winning 35 to 40 seats at the next election, up from 22 now. That alone could be sufficient to deny the Tories an overall majority.

Yet, unlike the two main parties, the Liberal Democrats generally win seats not as a result of national trends but through local efforts. That means that the centre of gravity of the party is local. The latest allegation about the Tower Hamlets party issuing election leaflets exploiting racial fears is an extreme, but not unique, example of a cynical populism, being all things to all people to win votes. The resulting row has not only overshadowed the start of the conference but has also undermined the squeaky-clean, above-politics image which the party likes to project. Mr Ashdown himself should be wary of invoking parallels with America's Ross Perot, whose populism is almost wholly malign and negative.

The counterpoint of this localism is a weakness nationally. Only Mr Ashdown and perhaps half a dozen other MPs are worth taking seriously. Most of the rest are shallow local tribunes with little to contribute, such as the new MPs Don Foster, Nigel Jones and Liz Lynne. That thinness at Westminster has produced fuzziness in policymaking. There is no shortage of policies. Seven consultative sessions were held yesterday on everything from employment policy, via prostitution, to security policy. The problem is a lack of coherence and consistency. An editorial in *The Reformer*, a new quarterly produced by some of the party's brighter young policymakers, complains of "a depressing tendency to gad around the economic debate, calling for increases in spending to get the economy out of recession on one day, and for increases in taxation to cut the deficit the next".

For a party that is so concerned with safeguarding scarce natural resources, the Liberal Democrats are remarkably casual about conserving financial resources. The party's new general policy paper, to be debated today, is full of interesting ideas, but nowhere is there any recognition of constraints on expenditure.

That paper also exposes the central paradox of the party's position. It has always distanced itself equally from the Tories and Labour: to appear close to Labour would lose votes in much of the south, and to appear close to the Tories would lose votes in the inner cities. But that is unconvincing. The party's thinking is similar to that of the Labour "modernisers", while a new survey of nearly 1,700 Liberal Democrat members by John Curtice of Strathclyde University shows that many more feel closer to Labour than to the Tories. Over a half put themselves on the left and only a fifth on the right. Unlike the Free Democrats in Germany, it is hard to see the party supporting a minority government of the right after the next election.

The Liberal Democrats have come a long way under Mr Ashdown from the post-merger doldrums of 1988-89. But now, with electoral success, they will be judged by more demanding standards, as they are now over Tower Hamlets. Mr Ashdown said in his interview with *The Times* on Saturday that the party faced an opportunity, not a victory. The scale of that opportunity will depend both on Mr Major's troubles and on whether the Liberal Democrats can turn themselves into a national party.

RIBBED ON MONDAY

Club Med

FOR the British establishment there is only one Mediterranean destination this autumn — Cyprus. Fugitives from justice may favour the unrecognised republic to the north, but not the in-crowd. They're heading south in their droves, to mix business with pleasure the other side of the green line.

Recent visitors include Lord Mackay of Clashfern and Baroness Chalker, while next month the island will get the royal seal of approval when the Queen arrives for the Commonwealth heads of government conference. But at the weekend the island's star turn was Betty Boothroyd.

Boothroyd was feted by President Glafkos Clerides, half his government and a crowd of 2,000 on Saturday night when she cut the ribbon to open the 670-bed Coral Beach Hotel, Paphos, which will be a weekend retreat for the Commonwealth heads.

To loud applause the off-duty Speaker, dressed in a flaming orange gown that set off a deep tan, shouted "Order, Order!" before cutting the ribbon. "Cyprus is the country to which people like me will always return," she said, "to enjoy the warmth of its people."

However, it must be said this warmth is a little selective at the moment. Baroness Chalker is still under attack for remarks deemed by many to be pro-Turkish and a speech described both as "obnoxious" and "patronising", while David Dain, Britain's High Commissioner, has caused considerable offence by taking a group of visiting MPs across the green line to talk to Turkish Cypriots, a journey that furious Greek Cypriot newspapers fear the Queen might repeat.

"Order, Order!" indeed — could be a busman's holiday.

● *The* New Statesman's *cricket team beat the Huntingdon All-Stars, an eleven derived from the local Labour party, by one run at the weekend. Top scorer, with 40, was editor Steve Platt, while the pick of the magazine's bowlers was Angela Eagle, MP for Wallasey, whose two wickets included that of Hugh Seckleman, Major's opponent at the last election. Platt was delighted with the outcome of the occasion, which raised £500 for the magazine's libel defence. "It was nice to come to Huntingdon and win," he said. Wonder who did the teas?*

DIARY

Last sayonara

FOR Promenaders, the last night of the Proms a week ago was the usual triumph. Unknown to them, however, it witnessed an embarrassing fiasco which the BBC has, until now, successfully kept quiet.



The affair has left Sony, the international music company, feeling distinctly bitter.

According to Sony, a deal was agreed with the BBC to film the last night. The production was to use Sony's latest high-definition, wide-format cameras, and videos and CDs of the evening would be marketed worldwide. According to Job Maarse, Sony's vice-president of classical film and television, the BBC stood to earn "about £110,000 from the deal. They would also have got a percentage on the profits". But things did not turn out as planned, says a disappointed Maarse. "About two weeks before the last night it was agreed. Then 10 days before it was called off."

So why, in these days of swingeing BBC cuts, did the corporation not jump at such a lucrative deal? According to Maarse, there are three reasons. First, the BBC Symphony Orchestra's chief conductor, Andrew Davis, was not conducting the last night. If a deal went ahead, he wanted to be involved. Second, the Musicians' Union demanded an extra £1,000 for each player. "That would be more than the Berlin Philharmonic gets," says Maarse. And third, Radio 3, peeved that the deal was stitched up between BBC Television, BBC Enterprises and Sony, "were unhappy that they were excluded".

Avril MacRory, BBC TV's head of music programmes, will not comment on the reasons the deal fell through. She says: "No final agreement was reached, though negotiations were in progress which were not concluded. Although the BBC — radio, television and orchestra — was disappointed not to conclude the negotiations for this year we are in negotiations for next year's last night."

● *No prizes for guessing which local branch stands proudly at the head of the Liberal Democrats' recruitment league-table displayed in Torquay yesterday. With an impressive increase of 150 per cent — Tower Hamlets.*

Bad blood

THERE is clearly still little love lost between Alan Sugar, chairman of Tottenham Hotspur and his former chief executive, Terry Venables. Sugar has recently refused to appear in the advertising campaign for Virgin Publishing's *How to Get Ahead in Business*.

Two of the campaign's stars, Sir Ralph Halpern and the inevitable Richard Branson, Sugar might have lived with. But not the third — Venables, who reflects to camera that he wished he had read the book earlier. Sugar apparently objected strongly to amusement being gained from his expensive litigation. As a spokesman put it: "We withdrew on grounds of good taste."





Atherton follows Gower to the editorial crease

Showing Wisden beyond his years

DESPITE his characteristically defiant knock of 134 on Friday, there is more bad news on its way for David Gower. Mike Atherton has just been appointed to the editorial board of *Wisden Cricket Monthly*. Until now Gower has been the only member of the hitherto six-man editorial board — which includes Jack Bannister, Frank Keating and Bob Willis — still playing first-class cricket. David Frith, the editor, is delighted to welcome Atherton aboard. "It is a very welcome injection of youth," he says somewhat untactfully. Atherton's first article is scheduled for November and will look back at the events of the summer and forward to the winter tour of the West Indies. Both subjects on which Gower, one suspects, harbours strong views. Frith, however, is optimistic that a clash between the two can be avoided, even at the board's annual dinner. "That isn't until next summer, when feelings might have settled down a bit."

PADDY'S POPULISM

The Liberal Democrats are giving the other two parties a fright

The government is hated, the Opposition is in disarray, and the Liberal Democrats are making sensational gains in by-elections and riding high in the opinion polls. It must be time to predict that the third party will break the mould at the next general election. But, as Liberal Democrats begin their party conference in Torquay, they may well recall that they have been here before.

In 1981-2, and in 1985, the Alliance had mid-term boosts in the polls and spectacular by-election victories, but they still dropped to third place in the subsequent general elections. At each general election since the Alliance was formed, the centre party's vote has fallen, from 26 per cent in 1983 to just 18 per cent last year. The trend looks bad.

So there are reasons for Liberal Democrats to be less than triumphalist this week. Yet behind the ephemeral support in the opinion polls — hovering around 25 per cent at the moment — lies a slightly more concrete expression of voters' views. At local government by-elections, the centre party has been doing far better than either big party: picking up seats from Conservatives in the shires and from Labour in inner cities. Since January it has gained three times more seats from the Tories than Labour has. And while it has lost one seat directly to Labour, it has gained another 16 from its opposition rival.

In May's shire elections, the Liberal Democrats won control of Cornwall and Somerset and held on to the Isle of Wight. Last week, they won outright control of Dorset after a by-election. In the south-west, where they are well ahead of the Tories in the latest Mori poll, they are also the party of local government. Mr Ashdown likes to point to his party's local record as an example of what he would like to do nationally: consultation with residents, plebiscites, direct votes on the trade-off between taxing and spending. His party's record, however, will be badly blemished by allegations that Liberal Democrats — supposedly paragons of tolerance — put out racist leaflets in the Millwall by-election last week. Mr Ashdown is searching to ally liberalism with populism, though not, presumably, the sort of populism that led to the election of a British National Party candidate in Millwall.

He has recognised the political potency of calling for more direct democracy, with strong echoes of Ross Perot. Unique among Britain's party leaders, he still scores highly in measures of public esteem. He can capitalise on the country's greater-than-ever disdain for politicians by presenting himself and his party as the only ones with clean hands.

That his party has not run the country since 1922 helps. Untarnished by power, the Liberal Democrats can often sound simply sanctimonious. Mr Ashdown has done well to carve himself a niche in foreign policy: his Gladstonian calls to action contrast starkly with the weariness of Douglas Hurd. But he does have the luxury of bearing no responsibility for sending troops into action.

Mr Ashdown's cleverest idea, as yet little remarked upon, has been to spend two days a week for much of this year with "ordinary" people doing ordinary jobs. He has returned convinced that he is now more in touch with the country than any of his rivals. Having heard his analysis of their concerns, the public may soon decide that every cabinet minister should spend some time manning a supermarket checkout or laying bricks.

Mr Ashdown is thus quietly meeting a widespread desire for a party that bridges the gap between people and politics. His party's policies are almost immaterial to this task: it is tone of voice that counts. Whether or not people wish the Liberal Democrats well, they should welcome the party as a competitive force in British politics that concentrates the minds of other politicians. While Labour and the Conservatives seem tired and stale, a reinvigorated centre party will snap at their heels. But given the political geography and electoral system of Britain, it is extremely unlikely to overtake.

THE LAST LAP

Victorian values should win Britain the Millennium Games

s most middle-distance runners will attest, ie ideal position at the start of the final lap to be tucked in behind the two frontnners, ready for a last-minute burst. That, least, is how Manchester would like its lympic 2000 bid to be seen. The question is hether Sydney and Peking have put so uch distance between themselves and ritain's entry as to make victory for lanchester impossible.

Peking has done itself no good in the run-p to Thursday's International Olympic ommittee vote in Monaco. By threatening boycott the 1996 Games in Atlanta if it lost, exhibited an unattractive ruthlessness. hough the threat was hastily withdrawn, ie city's bid has now been tainted by the npression that, contrary to the Olympic pirit, Peking will not take defeat gracefully.

Meanwhile the recent release of Wei ngsheng, the political prisoner, a mere six ionths from the end of his 15-year sentence, a cynical tactic that has backfired on eking. It has merely reminded the world iat China, unlike the other contenders for ie Olympics, still imprisons those who isagree with the government.

Berlin has recently seemed to be threatenig Manchester from behind. But its bid icks a crucial component: wholehearted ipport from local residents. At the weekid, 10,000 demonstrators marched through ie city's streets to protest against the bid. ponsors of the bid have been firebombed in n attempt to revive memories of the iolence at the 1972 Munich Olympics — the ist time Germany hosted the Games. foreover, with the far right on the scendant, the choice of the Berlin stadium, where the Nazis held the Olympics in 1936, carries some disturbing resonances.

Sydney has much to offer as a venue. Most of the facilities are already built, and the harbour would be a spectacular venue for yachting events. But its time zone is inconvenient for much of the world and, though the athletes would be flown there at the organisers' expense, spectators would find it expensive. Perhaps most unattractive has been the arrogance of Sydney's bid and its use of knocking copy against its competitors.

This is where Manchester comes into its own. Though Bob Scott has pursued his bid with phenomenal energy, he admits engagingly that Manchester is the "unglamorous" option. If anything he undersells the city in that respect. By British standards, it may be comparatively new, but anything Victorian is viewed as ancient in America and Australia. The transformation of old docks, warehouses and factories in many industrial cities has been their passport to regeneration through tourism. A Millennium Games staged in Manchester, the cradle of the Industrial Revolution, would symbolise the transformation of work and leisure in the lifetime of the modern Olympics.

Britain, in its traditionally understated way, has contributed enormously to the movement's success: from inventing many of the sports to winning 624 medals — behind only America, the former Soviet Union and Germany. Twice it has hosted the Games at the IOC's request, when other countries were unwilling to do so. Now the IOC has a chance to reward Britain's generosity and in so doing to reinforce another British tradition: victory for the underdog.

DIZZY'S SEX ROMPS

Private lives, though riveting, should not affect politics

he latest sexual scandal to rock the political oat is a century and a half old. An academic iography of Disraeli, to be published this utumn, is going to suggest that that preminent Victorian prime minister was the uther of an illegitimate son and daughter on ie side with different women. The author uggests that his revelations would have andalised the Victorians and ruined the olitical career of the original self-made man ho worshipped his creator.

This is to exaggerate the prudery of ictorian values. The Victorians were almost as robust as moderns about sex, but ey kept their gossip private for men of the uling class in clubs and smoking-rooms. hen Palmerston, aged almost 80, was reted to have fathered yet another illegitimate ild, it was proposed to use the scandal in ie election campaign. A worldly Tory remarked: "For Heavens sake, keep quiet bout it, or he'll sweep the country." The diffrence today is that the media have shone ie floodlights into the smoking-room. So emocracy gains what hypocrisy loses.

This British obsession with the sexual regularities of their politicians amuses the rench, who take such matters for granted, ith a shrug. Even Gladstone's voluminous iaries attract more attention for his painful ttempts to reform street-walkers than for is highly moral Budgets and foreign policy. he sexual misadventures of Lloyd George nd Asquith are now common knowledge; nd even Stanley Baldwin, that pillar of provincial middle-class respectability, has just been exposed for the sensational but innocent vice of sharing financial arrangements for a house with a mysterious woman.

Almost the entire human race is more interested in sex than in political economy. This is because sex is more interesting. People have always been pleased to learn that their rulers have feet and other parts of clay, but there is no evidence that they have generally thought the worse of them for it.

Disraeli's devoted wife always sat up for him however late back from the House, and one night, after a particularly late sitting, he found her waiting for him with a pie and a bottle of champagne. Embracing her, he said: "My dear — you are more like a mistress than a wife." Perhaps he was speaking from more experience than was supposed. But that does not revise history to prove that Disraeli was not a brilliant politician, an uxorious husband and a great man.

A politician who was interested in nothing but politics would be as uninteresting as a computer. The amorous propensities of the eminent show that they are human after all, though they can be hard on the unofficial women and children. In the long run, they do not harm anybody's reputation. In the short run, in view of the British fascination with sex, modern politicians might try to introduce a 150-year moratorium, like Disraeli's, for such revelations. Or hope, vainly, that the public could become more adult about the facts of life.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Archaeology and treasure hunters

From Mr Michael R. Gorman

Sir, Your leading article of September 14, "Cymbeline's gold", commendably attempts to balance the traditional archaeologist-treasure hunter rivalry. However, it misses a vital point, often overlooked by those unfamiliar with archaeological research: the information we gain about the past lies much more in the context of a particular find than in the find itself.

A hoard of coins recovered in controlled excavation in a buried structure helps to date the structure accurately, thus increasing our knowledge of the whole site. However, the context within the site also enables us to understand more of the meaning of the hoard itself.

A hoard found in a structure of a certain period might be interesting but unsurprising. An identical hoard found in a structure of a different period might constitute a revolution in the study of that area or period.

In areas without stratified archaeological deposits (such as ancient trackways or fords), metal-detecting can usefully make discoveries without loss to knowledge. The difficulty is knowing in advance whether an area contains such stratified deposits. A ploughed field may conceal a complex prehistoric settlement.

None of this is to decry the co-operation which is increasingly evident between serious metal-detector users and archaeologists around the country: the former constitute a pool of interest and enthusiasm that must not be ignored. But there is no doubt that controlled archaeological excavation has yielded more of the past than metal-detecting could ever yield.

Yours,
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From the President of the Council for British Archaeology

Sir, Archaeology is about the reconstruction of the past and, most importantly, the people who lived in it. It is not simply about high-value metal objects, and certainly has nothing to do with "treasure-hunting piracy".

The past belongs to everybody, as you conclude in your leading article, and it should not be solely for the private gain of metal-detector users. For that reason the Council for British Archaeology applauds your appeal for a new system of registering ancient finds locally for their archaeological importance.

We would like to see it coupled with a system that ensures that any finds agreed to be of archaeological importance to the nation, or to the region, are preserved in a public collection.

With such a system in place, and with metal-detector users observing the disciplines of archaeology and not roaming the countryside looking for "treasure", there could indeed be a new era of positive co-operation between detector users and archaeologists, to the immense benefit of the nation.

Yours faithfully,
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From the Chairman of Rescue

Sir, "Cymbeline's gold" gives a one-sided view of both archaeologists and metal-detector users, which is hardly likely to improve relationships.

This organisation — and, I would imagine, all serious archaeologists, whether professional or amateur — would wholeheartedly agree that the past belongs to everyone. That is why its investigation should be conducted by people with the training and experience to recover, record and interpret *all* the evidence, not simply the gold and glitter.

At Hoxne (report and photograph, September 4; letter, September 15) the finder of the hoard acted entirely responsibly in reporting his discovery immediately to the Suffolk County Council archaeological unit, which was then able to carry out a thorough investigation and recover not only all the "treasure" but also the evidence for the wooden box in which it was contained together with remains of other organic material which may yet have more to tell us about the circumstances of the burial.

The law of treasure trove does indeed require revision; it should be replaced with sensible antiquities legislation recognising the need to record all the information, not just selected highlights.

If the past is an open book, training is required to understand the language. The activities of irresponsible metal-detector users are tantamount to defacing the pages, so that nobody will be able to understand what the book has to tell us.

Yours faithfully,
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Loyalty and strife among Tory MPs

From Sir Kenneth Lewis

Sir, The Conservative party seems to be on a self-destruct course, intent on producing defeat out of victory. For months John Major has been unjustly rubbished by his friends: that continues.

Under the prime minister's leadership, having come out of the ERM, Britain is now coming out of the recession better and more quickly than any other country in Europe.

The reason why the Conservative party is in serious trouble with its supporters in particular and with the electors in general is that its MPs, ex-ministers included, seem intent upon ganging up against their own side.

Individual MPs at Westminster are entitled to take independent lines on matters on which they feel strongly. However, once MPs gang up in strength against their government a party is created within a party. A divided house cannot stand.

Yours faithfully,
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From Mr Gavin Lyall

Sir, Mr Lamont ("The day I almost quit", September 16) writes: "Newly revised figures on the economy now show that ..." and "We now know that output fell by ...".

Should he not then have written: "My greatest failure as Chancellor was in not making sure my army of economists was collecting the right figures from the right sources so that no future Chancellor would ever again be so much in the dark as I and my predecessors had been"?

Yours faithfully,
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From Mr Eric Huntingdon

Sir, Norman Lamont's comments are an insult to the many thousands of workers who remain loyal to the Conservative party.

People who are or were privileged to hold high office should express their differences away from the public gaze. That differences occur is understandable. What is unforgivable is the betrayal of loyalty to those who freely give of their time to facilitate election of members of Parliament.

Yours sincerely,
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September 16.

From Mr John Szemerey

Sir, Perhaps Norman Lamont did make a hash of Britain's membership of the ERM, but is this a reason for her to sit like a wallflower while the other member states of the European Community discuss how best to move towards monetary union?

Does the former Chancellor want to punish Britain for his — or, as he would claim, his present and past bosses' — mistakes?

Yours faithfully,
J. SZEMEREY,
76 Marnixlaan,
3090 Overijse, Belgium.
September 16.

From Mr Richard O'Sullivan

Sir, Do you think that citizen Major's verdict on his erstwhile playmate Norman Lamont — "rather sad and rather disingenuous" (report, September 17) — might apply equally to himself? And to which perhaps one should add, "visionless and trading on a false prospectus".

Yours sincerely,
RICHARD O'SULLIVAN,
Parkgate Farm,
Little Clacton, Essex.
September 17.

Future of Max Gate

From Mr David Bett

Sir, It is perhaps not surprising that Miss Nicola Thorne (letter, September 14) has failed to appreciate some of the complex issues the National Trust must reconcile when deciding the future of Max Gate, the house that Thomas Hardy designed and built.

Although many people would like Max Gate to be fully open to the public, perhaps to accommodate a literary centre or museum as Miss Thorne states, the National Trust has a duty to ensure that both the fabric and spirit of Max Gate are protected in the long term. Letting to a private tenant does not preclude public access. In this way many of the trust's smaller houses remain as homes. To open a house fully brings statutory and practical consequences that must be considered very carefully.

As a family home Max Gate retains a special atmosphere which might well be threatened if this modest house became a "visitor attraction".

Among the options the trust has been exploring is a search for a suitable tenant who will continue to allow Hardy enthusiasts to visit the interior of the house and all visitors to see the garden.

Yours sincerely,
DAVID BETT
(Regional Director),
The National Trust,
Wessex Regional Office,
Eastleigh Court, Bishopstrow,
Warminster, Wiltshire.

Drugs in prisons

From Mr Adrian Davies

Sir, Lord Goodman (letter, September 13) claims that the pilot scheme at HM Prison Downview is the only one specially designed to deal with the problems of drug and alcohol abuse in prisons. The Glasgow Council on Alcohol has been running the Barlinnie Addictions Project in Barlinnie prison, Glasgow, for two and a half years. This project was originally paid for on a pilot basis by the Alcohol Education and Research Council and it was evaluated by Professor John Davies from Strathclyde University.

As a result of the positive evaluation, the Scottish Prison Service has now taken over the funding of the project and established it on a permanent basis. The full-time staff and the part-time volunteers who work in this project provide counselling for more than 200 prisoners a year who have alcohol and drug problems.

I support Lord Goodman's call for substantial financial support from the government to provide more such programmes.

Perhaps the home secretary's current deliberations about the prison service will lead to an increase in commitment to such constructive and positive projects.

Yours sincerely,
A. H. K. DAVIES,
Glasgow Council on Alcohol,
3rd floor, 137-145 Sauchiehall Street,
Glasgow, 2.
September 14.

Fighting for Radio 4

From Mrs Rachel Mawhood

Sir, Janet Daley ("The campaign against an all-day radio news service has got its wirelesses crossed") has got the wrong end of the stick.

The Campaign to Save Radio 4 Long Wave (SR4LW), of which I am the UK coordinator, is not "an anti-news campaign", nor does it "actively campaign to prohibit the rest of the population from having access to the more immediate and comprehensive news coverage mooted by BBC radio".

For nearly a year our campaign, waged in eight European countries, has sought to persuade the BBC to retain Radio 4 as we know it on 198 kHz (long wave) and to put the proposed "continuous news" on another frequency.

From every corner of at least ten European countries, tens of thousands of people (*not* all of them "cardigan-wearers") have written appreciatively to SR4LW about the role that Radio 4, this radio channel of extraordinary variety and richness, plays in their lives.

Yours in a good cause,
RACHEL MAWHOOD,
32a Fairthorn Road, SE7.

Still boiling

From Mr David Harper

Sir, Soyer boilers designed by Alexis Soyer, who cooked for the British army in the Crimea (Mrs Elizabeth Ray's letter, September 15), are in regular use by Civil Aid units all over the country. They burn anything, including wet rubbish. Their ten-gallon liners produce tea, coffee, soup, stews, vegetables and porridge, and can cook poultry, puddings and more.

On September 11 at Bere Regis, Dorset, a Soyer boiler cooked 100-plus servings of syrup pudding, of which second (and third) helpings were demanded. A few years ago Civil Aid assembled more than a dozen Soyer boilers and, over 60 hours, fed a crowd approaching 200,000 at a Rolling Stones concert at Knebworth Park. The Army Catering Corps and the WRVS also use these boilers.

Yours etc,
DAVID HARPER
(President, Civil Aid),
Crinoids, 106 Church Road,
Teddington, Middlesex.

Somalia dilemma

From Mr H. P. Hall

Sir, Somali clans have been killing each other for centuries except when they were ruled by the British and the Italians. Not long after independence in 1960 they began their killing again and are likely to continue indefinitely.

Present UN policy is achieving nothing. The UN should take over Somalia as a trust territory, with UN forces to maintain law and order in the hope that in the distant future some form of local government can be set up; or Somalia should be split up into micro-states, with a UN technical assistance agency to help with their administration. Or it should be accepted that once the UN forces are withdrawn, the clans will continue to kill and starve each other.

It is for the UN to decide which of these courses is most likely to stop the present genocide.

Yours faithfully,
HENRY HALL,
Robina, The Chase,
Ringwood, Hampshire.

Compulsiveness of ME patients

From Professor Emeritus Ivor H. Mills

Sir, Dr Stuttaford (Body and Mind, September 14), dealing with ME (myalgic encephalomyelitis) or chronic fatigue syndrome, stresses the role of depression. He quotes Professor Gelder's account of physical symptoms associated with depression.

In my experience, orthodox treatment of depression is often insufficient. Our studies on compulsive behaviour diseases revealed that the "ME" patients are usually perfectionists with a compulsion to achieve high goals, which they set for themselves.

I treated my first patient in the early 1970s before "ME" had been invented. He was the managing director of a small company he had built up and a keen squash player. He had been reduced to going to work in a wheelchair.

When I suggested depression was a factor, he was adamant that he was not depressed. Eventually we agreed he suffered from "excessive cerebration", for which I had tablets but I would not tell him what they were. He took the tablets and embarked on a regime of slow physical rehabilitation. He was a perfectionist and found it hard not to drive himself excessively. It took a year to cure him.

Viral infection often precipitates the illness, especially if it is severe. Patients get the depression so often seen with viral illness and drive themselves back to work far too soon.

A recent patient was used to running 20 miles a day. He got a viral infection on a business trip to America and had to be flown home. After only a few days he forced himself back to work and got into the chronic-fatigue, depressed state. When trained to build up slowly he was eventually told to do a very small amount of running. He got much worse. When asked how far he ran, he replied: "Only five miles."

Treatment of "ME" requires anti-depressants of the type that potentiate the coping mechanism of the brain, but, most of all, the patients need graduated rehabilitation and constant exhortation to learn not to drive themselves near to their limit, mentally and physically.

Yours faithfully,
IVOR H. MILLS,
Addenbrooke's Hospital,
Department of Surgery,
Douglas House,
Trumpington Road, Cambridge.
September 14.

Treatment alert

From Mr Tam Fry

Sir, Dr D. C. Lewis (letter, September 14) suggests that Dr Kenneth Calman, the government chief medical officer, should not have automatically alerted women to the risk of Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease if they had had human pituitary gonadotrophin treatment for infertility (report, September 2).

Though I am the last person to defend either the chief medical officer or the Department of Health for the inept bungling of the announcement, it was important to make it if only to prevent the women from donating their blood or organs and thereby unwittingly passing on the fatal Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease.

Since Dr Calman's predecessor at the department failed to make a similar announcement in 1985 when 1,900 children were declared to be at risk of contracting the disease following their human growth hormone treatment, he obviously tried to make amends this time around. He deliberately used the media to help him, and Dr Lewis should not castigate *The Times* or other publications for their coverage.

Sincerely,
TAM FRY
(Honorary Chairman),
Child Growth Foundation,
2 Mayfield Avenue, Chiswick, W4.

Getting on now

From Mr Brian Tiffen

Sir, One of the problems of getting older (letters, September 7, 10, 14) is that when I receive a letter on headed notepaper I almost invariably ring the fax number rather than the telephone number. I am always surprised when I do not get through.

Yours faithfully,
BRIAN TIFFEN (aged 64¾),
4 Princes Rise, SE13.
September 17.

From Mr Bene't Steinberg

Sir, Middle age is finding out, halfway through a romantic novel set in the 18th century, that one's sympathies are wholly with the "prosy, dull dog" and not with the rake, whose heroism the authoress seeks to promote.

Yours faithfully,
BENE'T STEINBERG (aged 36),
5 Knighton Road, Forest Gate, E7.
September 14.

From Mr Paul Wapshott

Sir, It is not when policemen look younger but when rugby props have names such as Darren and Wayne. When I started my rugby career there were Georges and Jacks and Freds.

I played for 35 years.

Yours faithfully,
PAUL WAPSHOTT,
The White House, Park Hall,
Oswestry, Shropshire.

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COURT CIRCULAR

BALMORAL CASTLE
September 18: The Hon Paul Keating (Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia) and Mrs Keating have arrived at the Castle.

The Hon Paul Keating had an audience of The Queen this evening.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
September 18: The Princess Royal, President, Save the Children Fund, today attended a Garden Party at Group 4 Headquarters, Farncombe House, Broadway, and was received by Lord Richard Sandys (Deputy Lieutenant of Hereford and Worcester).

Mrs Andrew Feilden was in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE
September 18: The Duchess of Gloucester, Commandant-in-Chief, St John Ambulance Wales, today visited North Wales as part of the Seventy-Fifth Anniversary Celebrations to mark the foundation of the Priory for Wales and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Gwynedd (Mr Meuric Rees).

In the morning Her Royal Highness visited Llechwedd Slate Caverns, Blaenau Ffestiniog, and in the afternoon The Duchess of Gloucester attended a Dedication Service at St John's Church, Ysbyty Ifan, Nr Betws-y-Coed.

Mrs Howard Page was in attendance.

BALMORAL CASTLE
September 19: The Hon Paul Keating (Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia) and Mrs Keating have left the Castle.

Divine Service was held in Crathie Parish Church this morning.

The Reverend James Gibson preached the Sermon.

The Duke of Edinburgh, National President, The Royal Air Forces Association, this morning laid a wreath at the Royal Air Force Memorial, Embankment, and afterwards attended the Battle of Britain Thanksgiving Service, Westminster Abbey, London SW1.

Wing Commander Christopher Moran RAF was in attendance.

ST JAMES'S PALACE
September 19: The Prince and Princess of Wales were represented by Air Marshal Richard Johns RAF at the Battle of Britain Thanksgiving Service which was held in Westminster Abbey, London SW1, this morning.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
September 19: The Duchess of Kent, Patron, today visited Martin House Hospice, Clifford, Wetherby, and was met on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for West Yorkshire (Mr John Lyles).

Her Royal Highness, Patron, the Harvey Leeds International Pianoforte Competition, this evening attended the finals at Leeds Town Hall, Leeds, West Yorkshire.

Mrs David Napier was in attendance.

Battle of Britain service

The Queen was represented by the Duke of Edinburgh at the Battle of Britain service of thanksgiving and rededication held yesterday in Westminster Abbey. The Prince and Princess of Wales were represented by Air Marshal R.E. Johns.

The Sub Dean of Westminster officiated, assisted by the Rev Paul Ferguson, Precentor. Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Graydon, Chief of the Air Staff, and Flight Lieutenant N.J. Thornton read the lessons. The Rev A.P. Bishop gave an address.

HM Government was represented by Viscount Cranborne, Under-Secretary of State for the Armed Forces, and HM Opposition by Mr Eric A. Martlew, MP. The Lord Mayor of Westminster and Mr Anthony Bianco attended.

During the service the Battle of Britain Roll of Honour was borne in procession by Flight Lieutenant M. Frost, escorted by Air Commodore C.C.M. Baker, Group Captain D.F.B. Sheen, Wing Commander R.W. Foster, Squadron Leader C.S. Bamberger, Flight Lieutenant M.E. Leng and Warrant Officer P.H. Fox.

John Thadeus Delane

A service of rededication will be held at the parish church of St Michael and St Mary Magdalene, Easthampstead, Bracknell, Berkshire, on Sunday, September 26, to mark the restoration of the grave of John Thadeus Delane, Editor of *The Times* from 1841-1877.

It will take place at around 11am, at the end of the morning service, and there will be addresses by the Bishop of Reading and Sir Edward Pickering, executive vice-chairman of Times Newspapers.

Dinner

International Council of Christians and Jews

Sir Sigmund Sternberg, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the International Council of Christians and Jews, and Lady Sternberg were the hosts at a farewell dinner held on Saturday at the British Telecom Tower in honour of the French Ambassador. The Archbishop of Thyateira and Great Britian was among those present.

MICHAEL POWELL



John Rosbrook of 600 Squadron in a reflective moment yesterday outside Westminster Abbey, where veterans and representatives from Commonwealth air forces attended a service to mark the 53rd anniversary of the Battle of Britain

Birthdays today

Mr John Dankworth, jazz musician, 66; Mr Geoffrey Dear, HM Inspector of Constabulary, Worcester, 56; the Earl of Ducie, 42; the *Very Rev George Earle, SJ*, former headmaster, Stonyhurst College, 68; Sir Douglas Falconer, former High Court judge, 79; the Right Rev C.C.W. James, Bishop of Winchester, 67; General Sir Garry Johnson, 56; Miss Sophia Loren, actress, 59; Sir Duncan McDonald, former chairman, Northern Engineering Industries, 72; Miss Anne McIntosh, MEP, 39; Professor R.M.H. McMinn, anatomist, 70; Miss Jane Manning, soprano, 55; Sir Stuart Milner-Barry, civil servant and chess champion, 87; Sir David Nicolson, former chairman, BTR, 71; Miss Christine Oddy, MEP, 38; the Right Rev Kenneth Riches, former Bishop of Lincoln, 85; Mr José Rivero, golfer, 38; Sir John Summerfield, former Chief Justice, Cayman Islands, 73; Mr Jeremy Varcoe, director-general, United World Colleges, 56; Sir John Whitehead, diplomat, 61; Mr Fred Winter, racehorse trainer, 67.

Today's royal engagements

Prince Edward, as president, will attend the National Youth Theatre of Great Britain Development Evening at the Imagination Gallery, 25 Store Street, at 6.00.

The Duchess of Kent will launch the National Almshouse Week at the Charterhouse, EC1, at 3.00.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Sir James Dewar, natural philosopher, Kincardine-on-Forth, 1842; Stevie Smith (pseudonym of Florence Smith), poet, Hull, 1902; Kenneth More, actor, Gerrards Cross, 1914.

DEATHS: John Gauden, Bishop of Worcester 1662, Worcester, 1662; Robert Emmet, Irish patriot, executed, Dublin, 1803; Sir Denison Ross, *orientalist*, Istanbul, 1940; Jean Sibelius, Järvenpää, Finland, 1957.

English and French forces defeated the Russians at the battle of Alma in the Crimea, 1854.

Nature notes

SKYLARKS are beginning to sing again over the fields, and many more are arriving from the Continent. These immigrants stay in their flocks and do not take up individual territories here; many of them will go on to Spain. They crouch when they are alarmed, so often one does not see them until they fly up from under one's feet. Snipe are coming in from Scandinavia and Germany: they probe for food in wet fields with their long, sensitive beaks. They too sit tight until they are flushed, when they zigzag away with a scraping cry. Many kingfishers have had three broods during the summer; the young of the last brood are now dispersing in search of new lakes and streams.

On the hawthorn bushes some leaves are custard yellow, some dark crimson, some a fiery red. On the roadsides, wild carrot has turned to seed — the seedheads are like tangled birds' nests. Flowers of the pea family are still in bloom, including the pink flowers of sainfoin and the purple flowers of bush vetch, which climbs in the hedges. One of the most abundant dragonflies now is the common sympetrum, a reddish darter dragonfly that often goes far from water. DJM



The lark

Church news

Appointments

The Rev Canon Michael Beek, Canon Emeritus of Rochester Cathedral: to be Rural Dean of Hartismere (St Edmundsbury & Ipswich).

The Rev Hereward Cooke, Vicar in the Parmentagate Team: to be Assistant Priest, St Peter Mancroft and to continue as Acting Senior Industrial Chaplain and Rural Dean of Norwich East (Norwich).

The Rev Stephen Franklin, Assistant Curate of Chenies and Little Chalfont, Latimer and Flaundon (Oxford): to be an Army Chaplain.

The Rev Perran Gay, Domestic Chaplain to the Bishop of Truro and Diocesan Officer for Unity: to be Domestic Chaplain and Director of Training from September 1993 and Canon Chancellor of Truro Cathedral from July 1994.

The Rev Thomas Harris, Chaplain Royal Navy: to be priest-in-charge of Christian Malford w. Sutton Benger and Tytherton Kellaways, also priest-in-charge of Kington Langley and Draycot Cerne (Bristol).

The Rev Joseph Hasler, Curate, Holy Trinity, Horfield: to be Vicar, St Andrew, Hartcliffe (Bristol).

The Rev Robin Jack, Curate of Debenham w. Aspall and Kenton: to be priest-in-charge of Bacton, Cotton, Wyverstone, Old Newton and Gipping (St Edmundsbury & Ipswich).

The Rev Rodger Lewis: Bishop's permission to officiate in the Diocese of Birmingham.

The Rev Stephen Little, Team Rector of Warwick (Coventry): to be Rector of Harvington and Norton and Lenchwick (Worcester).

The Rev David Maddock, Rector, Bispham (Blackburn): to be Vicar of Fowey (Truro).

The Rev Jean Marshall, non-stipendiary Assistant Curate, Bodmin w. Lanhydrock and Lanivet: to be non-stipendiary Minister-in-Charge of South Petherwin w. Trewen and Lawhitton (Truro).

The Rev David Miller, Vicar, St John's Rastrick (Wakefield): to be Team Rector of Helston and Wendron (Truro).

The Rev James Moore, Vicar of St Oswald's, Millhouses (Sheffield): to be also an Honorary Canon of Sheffield Cathedral.

The Rev Anthony Morgan to be Assistant Curate (NSM) at St James', Woodhouse (Sheffield).

The Rev Robert Raikes, Chaplain, St Michael's, Nerja, Spain: to be Chaplain, Holy Trinity, Funchal, Madeira (Europe).

The Rev Kenneth Sargeantson, Assistant Curate (NSM) in the Marshland Parishes: to be Assistant Curate (NSM) at St John the Evangelist, Goole (Sheffield).

The Rev Dr Brian Stevens to be Assistant Curate, St Michael's, Newquay (Truro).

The Rev Andrew Studdert-Kennedy, Assistant Curate, St Mary, Wimbledon, in the Wimbledon Team Ministry: to be Vicar, St Oswald, Norbury (Southwark).

The Rev Gordon Taylor, Vicar of Beighton (Sheffield): to be also an Honorary Canon of Sheffield Cathedral.

The Rev Canon Robert Warren, Team Rector, St Thomas, Crookes, Sheffield (Sheffield): to be the Church of England's National Officer for Evangelism, Church House, Westminster, succeeding The Rev Canon John Finney, who became Bishop of Pontefract in May this year.

Resignations and retirements

The Rev Neil Baylis, Assistant Curate, St Oswald, Small Heath (Birmingham): to resign as from September 12.

The Rev Ivan Gregory, Vicar of Tintagel (Truro): to retire as from September 30.

The Rev Canon Dennis Pearce, Rector of St Peter and St Paul, Lavenham and Rural Dean of Lavenham (St Edmundsbury & Ipswich): to retire as from October 31.

The Rev Steven Purnell, Vicar, St Francis', Terriers (Oxford): resigned on August 31.

The Rev Canon Malcolm Sutton, Team Rector of Beccles St Michael w. St Luke and Chaplain to the Beccles War Memorial Hospital (St Edmundsbury & Ipswich): to retire as from April 30.

Appointments

Dr Robin Pellew, 47, director of the World Conservation Monitoring Centre, to be UK Director of the World Wide Fund for Nature from December 1.

Goolam Hoosen Kader Meeran to be a full-time Chairman of Industrial Tribunals.

Royal College of Surgeons of England

On Tuesday, September 14, Dame Kathleen Raven, DBE, OStJ, FRCN, Hon DLitt, opened the Raven Department of Education at The Royal College of Surgeons of England in memory of her late brother, Ronald Raven, OBE (Mil), OStJ, TD, FRCS, Hon FRSM.

Dame Kathleen said that Ronald Raven's generous bequest to the College would promote its prime object of surgical education to which her brother had committed himself throughout his long association with the College.

It was most appropriate that the opening took place on the day that the College celebrated the Bicentenary of the death of John Hunter, emphasising the continuity between the opportunity that Ronald Raven has provided for the College and the Hunterian tradition of surgical education.

The audience included Professor Norman Browse, President of the Royal College of Surgeons, and Mrs Browse, the Right Hon Michael Portillo, MP, and Mrs Portillo, the Raven Director of Education, Professor J.D. Hardcastle and Mrs Hardcastle, and many personal friends of the Raven family as well as members and friends of the College.

Marriages

Mr V.T. Beresford and Miss E.D. Hoskin

The marriage took place on Saturday at Brompton Oratory of Mr Valentine Beresford, son of Lord Patrick Beresford, of Binfield, Berkshire, and of Mrs Julia Green, of Stow-on-the-Wold, Gloucestershire, to Miss Evelyne Hoskin, second daughter of Mr and Mrs John Hoskin, of Harlow, Essex. Father John Fordham officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Simonne Hoskin, Paige Hoskin-Spinks, Emily Mackinlay-MacLeod, Augustus Mackinlay-MacLeod, Lord Le Poer, Thomas Scott and Laura Carey. Mr Simon Everett was best man.

A reception was held at Claridge's hotel and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Dipl Inform P.A. Braun and Dr B. Krähling

Dipl Inform Peter A. Braun, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Erich Braun, and Dr Beate Krähling, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Heinz Krähling, were married in Greding, Bavaria, on September 13, 1993. Their home address is Postfach 1636, 59406 Unna, Germany.

Mr H.L. Evans and Miss S.J. Harman

The marriage took place on Saturday at St Martin's, East Woodhay, Newbury, Berkshire, of Mr Hugh Lewis Evans, only son of Major-General and Mrs J.A.M. Evans, of Littletown, Co Durham, to Miss Sarah Jane Harman, only daughter of Sir Jeremiah Harman, of London, and Lady (Erica) Harman, of Highclere, Berkshire. Canon M.M. Fitzwilliams, godfather of the bridegroom, officiated, assisted by the Rev David Carter.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Scilla Monck, Abra Bompas and Julia Gibson. Mr Christopher Davis was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride's mother and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr J.E.H. Farquharson and Miss E.M. Pope

The marriage took place on Saturday at St George's, Fordington, Dorchester, Dorset, of Mr James Farquharson, eldest son of Sir Donald and Lady Farquharson, of Bures, Suffolk, to Miss Emma Pope, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Christopher Pope, of Dorchester. Canon David Letcher officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Claudia James, Venetia James, Sophie Pritchard-Barrett and Guy de Zulueta. Mr Oliver Chipperfield was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride.

Dr The Hon James Colville and Miss K. Dowson

The marriage took place on Saturday at St Michael's Church, Geldeston, of Dr the Hon James Colville, son of His Honour Judge The Viscount Colville of Culross, QC, and Elizabeth Viscountess Colville of Culross, to Miss Katharine Dowson, daughter of Sir Philip and Lady Dowson. Canon John Phillips officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Laura and Kate Nasmyth, Jessica Dowson, Edwina Langley and Giulia Lindsay. The Master of Colville was best man.

The honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Lieutenant Colonel the Hon Alastair Campbell and Miss P.F. Palmer

The marriage took place on Saturday at St Margaret's Church, Westminster Abbey, of Lieutenant Colonel Alastair Campbell, Queen's Own Highlanders, younger son of Lord and Lady Campbell of Croy, of Holme Rose, Nairnshire, and Miss Primrose Palmer, elder daughter of Mr William Palmer, of Nun Monkton, York, and Mrs Felicia Palmer, of Low Winsley, Harrogate. The Rev Jonathan Goodall officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Alice, Tessa, Max and Harriet Clarfelt and Jack and Marcus Fishburn. Mr Mark Clarfelt was best man.

A reception was held at the Naval and Military Club and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Dr N. Panay and Dr J.K.L. Setchell

The marriage took place on Saturday, September 11, at St Peter's, Leckhampton, Cheltenham, of Dr Nicholas Panay, son of Mr and Mrs George Panay, of Nicosia, and Dr Justine Setchell, daughter of Mr and Mrs David Setchell, of Cheltenham.

Mr N.S. Ross and Miss S.H. Earle

The marriage took place on Saturday at St Hippolytus, Ryme Intrinseca, of Mr Neil Ross, son of Mr and Mrs Leslie Ross, and Miss Susan Earle, daughter of Mr and Mrs Richard Earle. The Dean of Windsor and the Rev Harold Saxby officiated.

The bride was given in marriage by her father and was attended by Claudia Irwin, David Arbuthnott and Hugh Rochfort. Mr Robert Sargent was best man.

A reception was held at Frankham Farm, and the bride and bridegroom went away on bicycles.

Mr A.R.E. Trower and Miss E.H. Naumann

The marriage took place on Saturday, September 18, of Richard, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Anthony Trower, of Stanstead Abbotts, Hertfordshire, and Helen, daughter of the late Mr Nigel Naumann and of Mrs Naumann, of Ogbourne St Andrew, Wiltshire, at the Church of St Andrew's, Ogbourne. Canon John Evans officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her brother, Mr Francis Naumann, was attended by Camilla Baker, Henrietta Philipps, Beatrice Bazell, Tom Wigan and Edward Trower. Mr Christopher Trower was best man.

Mr J.G. Verschoyle and Miss L.H. Dean

The marriage took place on Saturday, September 18, 1993, at St Mary's, Bibury, between Mr James Verschoyle, eldest son of the late Mr Peter Verschoyle and of Mrs Peter Verschoyle, and Miss Henrietta Dean, daughter of the late Mr Martin Dean and of Mrs Michael Wyndham.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her brother, Mr Charles Dean, was attended by Emily and Katie Ramsay, Henrietta Abel-Smith and Alexander Penfold. Mr Charles Alexander was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the bride and the honeymoon is being spent abroad.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr R.A. Boulton and Ms R.L. Schuster

The engagement is announced between Richard, only son of Peter and Mavis Boulton, of Gloucester, and Ruth, daughter of Vivienne Schuster and the late Alan Schuster, of Kenton, Harrow.

Mr T.A.C. Page and Miss A.M. Colman

The engagement is announced between Timothy, eldest son of Colonel Anthony Page, of Croft House, Brackley, and Mrs Carolyn Page, of Avon, Chippenham, and Alice, youngest daughter of Sir Michael Colman, Bt, and Lady Colman, of Malshanger, Basingstoke.

Mr S.M. Price and Miss S.M. Mitcham

The engagement is announced between Simon, son of Mr F.G. Price and Mrs E.J. Price, of Four Oaks, Sutton Coldfield, and Susan, daughter of Mr and Mrs T.G. Mitcham, of Holme, Peterborough.

Bolton School

Lord Haslam, Chairman of Governors of the Bolton School, is today delighted to announce that Miss Jane Panton will succeed Mrs Margaret Spurr as Headmistress of Bolton School, Girls' Division, following Mrs Spurr's retirement, after fifteen years, on August 31, 1994. Miss Panton is at present the Headmistress of Merchant Taylors' School for Girls, Crosby.

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The Lord lives! Blessed is my rock! High above all is God, my safe refuge. Psalm 18:46

BIRTHS

MARLAND - On September 16th to Penny (née Lamb) and Jonathan, a daughter Allegra, a sister for Marcus and Hugo.

PILLEAU - On September 7, to Susan (née Armstrong-MacDonnell) and Marcus, a daughter (Georgina Alice), a sister for Henry.

PURLE - On September 13th, at The Wellington Hospital, to Virginia (née Rytas) and Charles, a son, Harry George Hopkins, a brother for Sally, William and Charles Carter.

SILVER ANNIVERSARIES

BILLSON-SUNDERLAND - On September 20th 1968, St Margarets Pattens', Rood Lane, City of London, Christopher Leicester to Bee.

DEATHS

BOLSOVER On September 16th 1993, suddenly surrounded by her family to whom she was devoted, Yotna, loving wife of the late Dr Derrick Bolsover M.B.E., and adored mother and grandmother. Funeral service St. Leonard's Church, Eynsham at 2.30 pm Wednesday September 22nd to be followed by private cremation. Flowers or donations to Muscular Dystrophy c/o Edward Carter FD, 107 South Avenue, Abingdon, Oxon OX14 1QS.

CAMPBELL - Robert William Heward, late of the Gambia Colonial Service. Husband of Evelyn, at Castle Douglas on 16th of September. Cremation at Ayr Crematorium on Monday the 20th of September at 2pm. No flowers but donations to Talking Books for the Blind please.

DEATHS

CORRIGAN - At Pitsligo House, Edinburgh, on 4th September 1993, Eileen M. Corrigan, M.A., H.Dip., Ed., daughter of the late Reverend William Corrigan and grand-daughter of the late James Corrigan, J.P., both of Fermanagh. Funeral Private.

GRANT - On September 17th 1993, Marjorie Hope, aged 88, at Anchusa Court. Formerly of Somerset West, South Africa.

MILHAM - On September 16th, Bryan Edgar aged 72, after a long and courageous fight, peacefully and with much loving care at Mount Alvernia Hospital, Guildford, beloved husband of Patricia, dear father of Sue, Jane and Stuart and adored grandfather to Pippa, Douglas, Robert, Lorna, Claire and Jeremy. Service of thanksgiving at St John's, Churt, Farnham, Surrey at 4pm on Wednesday 22nd September. No flowers please, donations if desired to Imperial Cancer Research Fund, PO Box 123, Lincolns Inn Fields, London, WC2A 3PX

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DEATHS

MOORE - On September 12th, Amanda, tragically. Very dearly loved wife of Patrick, mother of Edward, sister of Shaun and daughter of Paula Bray and the late John Cregan. Funeral service at All Saints Church, Fulham (Putney Bridge) on Friday 24th September at 2pm family flowers only please. Charity donations if desired to J.H.Kenyon, 49 Marloes Road, London W8 6LA (Funeral Directors).

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SOLAVICI - On September 17th, 1993, Hugo Peter, much loved husband, father and grandfather. Funeral at Mortlake Crematorium on September 23rd at 11am.

DEATHS

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OBITUARIES

MURIEL MORLEY

Dr Muriel Morley, OBE, speech therapist, died on September 15 aged 94. She was born in Halifax on February 20, 1899.



AT A time when many people still confused speech therapy with elocution training, Muriel Morley achieved the feat of establishing the former as a subject for university research and education. In 1959 she founded Britain's first university department of speech. This was at King's College of the University of Durham, later to become the University of Newcastle upon Tyne.

Muriel Morley became one of the leading authorities on the treatment of cleft palate, a field in which she had an international reputation. She also fought doughtily to prevent her *specialisation from being* strangled at birth through lack of government understanding of its necessary existence as a completely separate discipline from general medicine.

Muriel Elizabeth Morley was educated at Halifax High School for Girls and Monkseaton High School. She took her BSc degree at Armstrong College, Durham, where she then proceeded to the Certificate of Education. At that time she intended to take up teaching as a career. When the course of her life was suddenly changed, therefore, she came to the field of speech therapy with a degree in physics and biology and from a background of secondary school teaching which was curtailed through ill-health.

In 1932 she responded to an unusual advertisement. A Newcastle plastic surgeon had devised a new type of pharyngoplasty for cleft palate and was seeking an "educated woman" who would assess the children's speech before and after surgery. The work fascinated her; she became an expert photographer within a month and read everything she could find on cleft palate and its management. The next five years were a turning point; the lessons she learnt were set down in her first book *Cleft Palate and Speech*, and she had discovered her vocation.

In order to broaden her experience of the variety of speech and language disorders, she trained as a speech therapist by working with colleagues in Liverpool and London over the next few months, and gained the diploma of the then British Society of Speech Therapists in 1938.

By 1945 she was working full-time as a speech therapist in Newcastle's three hospitals, with a varied case-load that included a number of men who had become aphasic from wartime head injuries. At this time she became one of the founders of the College of Speech Therapists, and was later to become its president, and the editor of its academic journal, *The British Journal of Disorders of Communication*.

One of her major research studies, with colleagues in the fields of child health, neurology and statistics, was of the speech and language of a sample of 847 children in Newcastle, recorded at ages 3, 4, 6 and 15. The results of the first three of these assessments were published in 1957 as *Development and Disorders of Speech in Childhood*. She was awarded the degree of DSc by King's College, Durham, in 1958 and in the following year founded the university discipline of speech therapy when she was appointed lecturer in Speech and Speech Pathology in the departments of Child Health and Education at King's College.

In 1959 the Government and Opposition of the day decided to bring a number of disciplines, of which speech therapy was one, under a bill for professions supplementary to medicine. Muriel Morley instantly saw the threat which this offered to the youthful profession. With representatives of the College of Speech Therapists, she called on the responsible minister and told him that speech therapy could not be described as supplementary to any other profession and that academic study in this field was vital if people with speech and language disorders were to continue to be served. A national referendum of speech therapists followed, the profession stood firm and, despite government anger, they were removed from the bill.

Muriel Morley travelled widely in the English-speaking world as a visiting professor, and was made an honorary member of the American Cleft Palate Association. More than any other experience these visits established the twin pillars of her professional philosophy: language and *speech must be studied and taught in* universities, with studies of pathology based on a sound knowledge of normal behaviours. She retired in 1963 from what was, by then, the University of Newcastle upon Tyne.

In 1980 she was appointed OBE in acknowledgement of her pioneering work in research and education in speech therapy. In an appreciation of her work in a 1984 commemoration of the 25th anniversary of her founding of the university department, her former colleague, Donald Court, Professor of Child Health, wrote: "What fuelled and directed this remarkable woman? She was certainly impatient with the small mind and the myopic vision, and became restless, even stubborn, when she felt that important issues were being evaded. Can we explain her energy, tenacity, vision, openness to new ideas, love of learning? The answer lay in her unwavering belief in the value of her subject and an unyielding commitment to its practice at the highest level."

She never married.

OODGEROO NOONUCCAL

Oodgeroo Noonuccal, the Australian aboriginal poet formerly known as Kath Walker, died in Brisbane, Queensland, on September 16 aged 72. She was born on November 3, 1920.



THOUGH far less well known outside her native country than the work of distinguished contemporaries such as the Nobel prizewinning novelist Patrick White, the poetry of Oodgeroo Noonuccal was germane to Australian literature's struggle to establish a definable identity for itself. But in her eyes her work had the more important function of campaigning for better treatment for Australia's indigenous people.

Surprisingly, in the view of some Aborigines, she did not, however, boycott the bicentenary celebrations held to mark 200 years of white settlement *of Australia, in 1988. Instead* she used the occasion to return the insignia of MBE with which she had been invested eighteen years before.

She was born Kathleen Jean Mary Ruska, on North Stradbroke Island which lies off the Queensland coast just opposite Brisbane. Although she was not of 100 per cent aboriginal descent her birthplace and upbringing were steeped in native tradition. The island was the home of the Noonuccal tribe of which her parents were members.

Her mother was illiterate, but her father, who was of German extraction, insisted that she acquire an education. As it was, she left school at 13 to work as a domestic for half-a-crown (12½p) a week. When the second world war broke out she joined the Australian Women's Army Service and served as a telephone switchboard operator.

After the war she married a Brisbane waterfront worker, Bruce Walker. They had two children, but she was determined not to become enmeshed in domesticity. At the age of 37 she took a stenography course at a night school. She was also becoming more actively aware of the plight of aboriginal Australians and this led her to join the Communist party, not because she had much sympathy with Marxism, but because it was the only Australian political grouping that opposed the then "White Australia" policy of the federal government. In fact, dialectical Marxism bored her and she eventually left the party when officials tried to get her to write speeches. However, in the interim she visited Moscow to attend an international conference of writers and artists.

But her heart was with Australia and its problems and she began to write poetry expressing her feelings for the land, its indigenous people and their relationship with those who had come after them. Her first volume of verse, *We Are Going* (1964) was the first book of poetry to be published by an Aborigine. It was followed, in 1966, by *The Dawn is at Hand* which won her the 1967 Jessie Litchfield prize. She also became active in aboriginal civil rights and was instrumental in persuading the federal government to hold its national referendum on the subject in 1967. This was passed with an emphatic 93 per cent "yes" vote and, at last, gave Aborigines recognition under the Australian constitution. In 1968 she published *Integration and Queensland Society* and, in 1970, *My People*. In the same year she was appointed MBE for her work on behalf of Queensland's Aborigines.

Nevertheless she remained a thorn in the side of governments at both state and federal level. On one occasion she declared that she was prepared to go to Libya to seek funds for aboriginal communities from Colonel Gaddafi. On another, when the Queensland state government proposed plans for the reshaping of Moreton Bay, in which North Stradbroke Island lies, she threatened its members with the vengeance of the water goddess Quandamooka.

When Australia celebrated its bicentennial celebrations in 1988 she took the opportunity to change her name by deed poll from Kath Walker to the aboriginal Oodgeroo (meaning paper bark tree) Noonuccal. At the same time she handed back her MBE. In view of her widely-publicised *assertion that the bicentennial* symbolised "200 years of humiliation and brutality to the aboriginal people", many of her fellow natives — as well as white critics — wondered why she had not boycotted the affair altogether. As it was she participated in a celebration of indigenous culture at the Brisbane Expo, retorting: "I am not celebrating. I don't give a stuff for Expo or for the bicentenary. I will pick up the blood money because for the last 200 years that is all we have been given by the white people. As for the bicentenary, we have been here for 10,000 years".

Noonuccal received a fellowship from the University of New South Wales, and gave lectures on aboriginal culture in Sydney. But the last few years of her life she had spent quietly on North Stradbroke Island. A play, *One Woman's Song*, describing her life and work, was staged in Brisbane earlier this year as part of the International Year of Indigenous Peoples.

Her husband predeceased her; Oodgeroo Noonuccal is survived by her two sons.

WILLIE MOSCONI

Willie Mosconi, who won the world pool championship 13 times in 15 years died in Haddon Heights, New Jersey, on September 16 aged 80. He was born on June 27, 1913, in Philadelphia.



ONE of the greatest players in the history of the game, Willie Mosconi was to pool (officially known as pocket billiards) *what Babe Ruth was to* baseball. Handsome and agile, and always immaculately dressed, he elevated the game from its ethos of smoky basements crawling with drunks and hustlers to that of a reputable pastime. Indeed his style and care for the game were at *the opposite pole from* the image cultivated by the self-styled Minnesota Fats, with whom he had a long rivalry. In the event when the dedicated professional did meet the self-promoting bar room player at the pool table in 1978, Fats was utterly *vanquished*.

Mosconi knew pool halls well: he grew up in one in Philadelphia, owned by his father, and acquired a lifelong fascination for the game. Though Mosconi senior disapproved, and locked up the cues and balls, young Willie at the age of six set up potatoes on the tables and shot them into the pockets with broomsticks. He was scarcely out of his teens when he joined the professional circuit, winning his first world championship in 1941.

From then until 1956, when he retired, he was only beaten twice for the world crown.

It was in the 1956 championship match against Jimmy Moore that Mosconi achieved a perfect game by sinking 150 balls in a row in a single visit to the table. His most heralded record, however, was potting 526 straight balls in exhibition play in Springfield, Illinois, in 1954. It was Mosconi's constant preoccupation with the reputation of the game — which he always called pocket billiards and would never permit himself to utter the word "pool" — that led to his long-time feud with Minnesota Fats, a player who had actually taken his name from the character played by Jackie Gleason in the 1961 film *The Hustler*, claiming it was based *on his life*.

Mosconi, who had acted as technical director on the film and appeared in several cameo parts, was infuriated by these pretensions. Minnesota Fats, whose real name was Rudolf Wanderone, was the epitome of a quick-witted flashy hustler, and had acquired a reputation as a man to avoid in the pool halls, where he was in the habit of disguising his skills so as to lure the unwary into taking him on for high stakes. Mosconi deplored this deception. He accused Fats of lowering the tone of the game he himself had devoted so much of his playing life to dragging out of smoke-filled dens, into the light of day.

The two men wrangled constantly; Wanderone taunted Mosconi but always refused his challenges to meet on the pool table. Finally, however, *in 1978 both men accepted an* invitation to play a match on ABC television. The pool-playing world was agog at such a tantalising prospect — the equivalent, in ring terms, of boxer versus slugger. Both men were 65 years old, but still in command of their skills. *The result was an overwhelm*ing victory for the dapper Mosconi over the dishevelled Minnesota Fats, who was bemused by Mosconi's accurate, rapid-fire shooting. The result further enhanced the image of pool.

Mosconi wrote a textbook on the game in 1959, and last year published his autobiography, *Willie's Game*.

He is survived by his wife, a son and two daughters.

GENERAL BERNARD CAPILLON

General Bernard Capillon, former chief of staff of the French Air Force and later chairman of the aero engine manufacturer Snecma, died in Cannes on September 2 aged 63. He was born in Bizerta, Tunisia, on October 15, 1929.

BERNARD Capillon played a major role in bringing into service France's postwar family of military aircraft, notably the range of Dassault jet fighter-bombers. He also saw service in Algeria during the war of independence from France, and flew 206 combat missions.

Capillon was the son of an airline pilot and received his military training in both France and the United States, the latter under a postwar co-operation programme. At the Dijon air base he was made pilot of the Ouragan, the first French postwar combat aircraft. He led the Alsace squadron when this was equipped with another Dassault jet, the Mystère IV.

During the late 1950s and early 1960s, he saw service in Algeria where he headed the light aircraft support squadron. He came to the notice of the public in the 1957-59 period as leader of the Patrouille de France, the French equivalent of the Red Arrows. Patrouille is known for its fly-past over the Champs Elysées on July 14, Bastille Day, when the planes emit smoke trails in the red, white and blue of the French *Tricouleur*.

Capillon later brought the Mirage IIIC into service. These aircraft became the backbone of the French air force and were widely exported by Dassault.

In the mid-1960s, he was transferred to Bremgarten, Germany, where he came to command the 11th fighter squadron with its North American F100 Super Sabres. This was the first French squadron to be equipped with US-made tactical nuclear bombs. As a leading pilot in the strategic branch of the French air force, Capillon spent time at the Armed Forces Staff College in Norfolk, Virginia.

From 1975 to 1977 he was adviser to the then president, Valéry Giscard d'Estaing. As such he was chosen to go to Tripoli, the Libyan capital, to recover the French archaeologist Françoise Claustre and her husband, who had been kidnapped and held for three years in the Sahara by Chad rebels allied to Libya.

In 1982 Capillon became head of the French Air Force and remained in the job for four years. In retirement he *was appointed chairman, or président-directeur-general*, of Snecma, makers of jet engines for the Dassault planes. It was this period that saw the development of the M88 engine for the Dassault Rafale jet, designated as the successor to the Mirage series.

Snecma worked — and is still working — on the CFM56 engine with General Electric (US), which equips the Boeing 737-300, and on engines for the Airbus family. Capillon also served on the board of Air France, Thomson-TRT Défense and Intertechnique.

He is survived by his wife and son.



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ON THIS DAY

September 20 1890

Dion Boucicault (1822-1890) was both prolific dramatist and successful actor. At least two of his plays, London Assurance *and* The Shaughraun *have been revived successfully in recent years.*

Much regret will be aroused in the playgoing world by the announcement of the death of Mr Dion Boucicault, which occurred in New York on Thursday night.

Mr Boucicault was a son of the late Mr S. S. Boucicault, of Dublin, and was born in that city towards the close of 1822. He completed his education at London University under the care of Dr Lardner. His ambition to distinguish himself as a writer for the stage was excited at an early age, for his first theatrical work, the farcical comedy of *London Assurance*, appeared at Covent Garden in the spring of 1841, written under the name of Leo Morton. In some respects the piece was one of the best he ever produced . . .

In *Woman*, which followed *London Assurance* at Covent Garden, Mr Boucicault made an excursion into the domain of romantic and sentimental drama, but without receiving much encouragement to remain there.

One of the most important periods in the life of Mr Boucicault began in 1852, when, under the management of Charles Kean, he appeared at the Princess's Theatre as an actor. The piece he chose for the occasion was one by himself, *The Vampire*, the plot of which had previously been made familiar at the Lyceum. It was divided into three "dreams" instead of acts, and the trifling period of a century was supposed to elapse between them. Mr Boucicault was not to be congratulated upon waving this melodramatic tissue of horrors which seems to have been an example of French taste at its worst: but his performance of the chief part did much to justify his adoption of the stage as a second profession.

In 1853, after working at two adaptations for Charles Kean, *The Corsican Brothers* and *Faust*, he went to the United States, chiefly for the purpose of witnessing some intended revivals at Wallack's Theatre of his best plays. While in New York he brought out *The Fox Hunt*, or *Don Quixote the Second*, and his well-known version of Casimir Delavigne's *Louis XI*. . .

Mr Boucicault had new won high reputation as a dramatist and as an actor, but was to show that he could accomplish a good deal more in both capacities. He had yet to do the work for which he is best remembered. In the autumn of 1860, he came forward at the Adelphi in his own domestic drama, previously represented in the United States, of *The Colleen Bawn*. The piece was sufficiently well constructed and written to have what in those days was thought to be extremely long run of about 400 nights, and Mr Boucicault's impersonation of the scampish yet always attractive Myles na Coppaleen was accepted on all sides as a remarkable achievement.

His death removes a conspicuous figure from the stage of two countries. Regarded as a whole, his *theatre* is not without importance and value. In *Colleen Bawn* he may be said to have founded a new school of melodrama, the central situation in the piece, as he more than once pointed out, being the first thing in the way of "sensationalism" that has been witnessed on the stage. His acting was marked by ease, grace, and a peculiar vein of humour, especially in those Irish characters, such as Conn in *The Shaughraun*, which he liked above all others to play.

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THE TIMES TODAY MONDAY SEPTEMBER 20 1993

NEWS

Major pleads with the snipers

■ John Major made an astonishing appeal to Conservative MPs to rally behind him, amid signs of growing tension within the cabinet over the way leadership speculation has been allowed to spiral out of control.

As the prime minister admitted that the sniping was sapping the government's authority and damaging the country, some cabinet ministers complained that their colleagues were not doing enough to scotch talk of a threat to him ..... **Pages 1, 2**

Ashdown predicts election victory

■ Paddy Ashdown sought to compound Conservative disarray by holding out the prospect of the Liberal Democrats gaining power at the next general election. On the eve of the party's conference in Torquay, Mr Ashdown said that they were "on the verge of a breakthrough into the big time"..... **Pages 1, 4**

Race arrests

Riot police arrested 27 people after fighting broke out between supporters of the British National Party and anti-racist protesters in east London..... **Page 1**

TV overhaul

The Government is planning a complete overhaul of the ITV franchise system, following complaints from the 15 independent television companies that the existing legislation has been an unmitigated disaster..... **Page 1**

Double crash

Sixteen survivors of a coach crash in France in which two British tourists were killed were recovering after the aircraft flying them home crashed on take off. **Page 1**

General ignorance

Widespread ignorance of general knowledge was found by MORI in a poll of more than 500 17-year-olds, a tenth of whom could not find Britain on a map..... **Page 3**

Left of centre

Most Liberal-Democrat party members feel closer to Labour than to the Tories..... **Page 4**

Short 'on track'

After Nigel Short had drawn the 6th game of *The Times* World Chess Championship, Garry Kasparov said: "Short is back on track"..... **Page 8**

Car slow down

Car sales have gone into reverse after last month's boom, prompting fears that the recovery could be slowing down..... **Page 7**

Gatt threat

John Major is threatening to bring the European Community to a virtual halt if France does not accept a Gatt deal on world trade..... **Page 10**

Demjanjuk free to go

Israel's Supreme Court ruled that John Demjanjuk, who was acquitted of being the Nazi death camp guard "Ivan the Terrible", would not be retried and was free to leave the country..... **Page 10**

Health plan unveiled

This week will see the unveiling of a centrepiece of the Clinton presidency, the culmination of eight months' work by his wife designed to shake up the US health care system ..... **Page 11**

The secret rich

A new breed of "secret rich" entrepreneur has taken over the list of the 500 wealthiest people in Britain and Ireland. Paul Raymond is top with £1.5billion, displacing the Duke of Westminster. **Page 3**

Queen of homeless

A black teenager, Kimberly Aiken, of South Carolina, who pledged to help the homeless was crowned yesterday as the winner of the new "politically correct" Miss America contest..... **Page 11**

Nuclear plan

President Clinton is expected to announce proposals to ban the production of nuclear-bomb grade material worldwide, as part of a drive to stop proliferation..... **Page 13**

Rival helps Manchester Olympic bid

■ Manchester's status as a candidate to host the Olympic Games of 2000 has grown in prestige over the past three days. Not because of anything that they have said or done during the final countdown but because Peking, the favourite with insiders, has publicly shot itself in the foot by threatening the IOC with a boycott if it is rejected..... **Page 9**



A UN Canadian transporter drives by a burning house in Donje Selo after the Croatian army withdrew from Serb villages. **Page 10**

SPORT

Golf: Ian Woosnam won the Lancombe Trophy in Paris when he shot a last round score of 65 to finish on 267, two strokes clear of Sam Torrance. Barry Lane, Mark James and David Feherty tied for third place..... **Page 22**

Football: A first-half goal from Eric Cantona saw Manchester United beat Arsenal at Old Trafford and extend their lead at the top of the FA Carling Premiership table to three points..... **Page 21**

Cricket: An unbeaten 46 by Viv Richards steered Glamorgan to victory in the Axa-Equity Sunday League championship against Kent giving them their first trophy since 1969..... **Pages 21, 23**

BUSINESS

Wage costs: The devaluation of sterling, combined with a downtrend in pay increases and the pressure of unemployment, have made British hourly wage costs lower than Japan's and among the lowest of the main industrial countries in Europe..... **Page 40**

Patent victory: Glaxo, Europe's leading drug company, has won a patent challenge to Zantac, the ulcer treatment that has become the world's biggest selling prescription drug..... **Page 40**

PLO demand: Although Europeans have bemoaned the World Bank's plan to fund the proposed independent Palestinian teritories, the PLO has said it is not enough... **Page 37**

Public spectacle: A fly-on-the-wall documentary is about to claim more victims. But, says Libby Purves, they asked for it.... **Page 14**

Black is best: The most pleasing colour for women (of all ages and sizes) is black. It's flattering, it suits all sorts and all complexions. And a wardrobe filled with black makes it much easier to get dressed: everything matches..... **Page 15**

Truly bilingual: The British are not the only ones concerned at shortcomings in foreign languages. The French education ministry is facing demands from parents for better language teaching ..... **Page 33**

Starting on a high note: The opera season slipped into top gear with three major productions: Glyndebourne Touring Opera failed to excite Sadler's Wells with *La clemenza di Tito*; Welsh National Opera, succeeded with *Lucia di Lammermoor*; Covent Garden was the venue for Marilyn Horne's effervescent account of *L'italiana in Algeri* ..... **Page 29**

Television: Michael Elphick plays Harry, the hero of BBC1's new Saturday series, which was confusing and disappointing..... **Page 30**

Books: The troubled life of the Scottish otter-man Gavin Maxwell is the subject of a new biography by Douglas Botting..... **Page 31**

PEOPLE IN THE TIMES



Yasser Arafat said the peace deal signed by Israel and the PLO was only the first step to regaining all the land occupied in the 1967 Middle East war **Page 12**



Norma Major, who is keeping a low profile during the Japanese visit, is being inevitably compared unfavourably with Mrs Thatcher **Page 2**



Michael Jackson's world tour ran into more trouble when the singer upset ultra-orthodox Jews by arriving on the sabbath **Page 12**

THE TIMES TOMORROW

Levin on the use of power

■ The less the power, the greater the desire to exercise it. Bernard Levin on those who hold or seek it

How tough will sentences be?

■ Magistrates are to receive new guidelines on the sentencing of criminals. They look tough — but are they really?

Behind the scenes

■ Here is the still centre of a stormy profession: a man who, at age 62, continues to exude control, command and smiling confidence. Yet it is and always was a bit of a mask. Benedict Nightingale meets Sir Peter Hall.

TV LISTINGS

A new series on the struggles and achievements of black athletes looks at links between sports and politics in Joe Louis, Jesse Owens and Muhammad Ali. *Will to Win* (BBC2, 7.40pm) ..... **Page 39**

OPINION

Paddy's populism

While Labour and the Conservatives seem tired and stale, a reinvigorated centre party will snap at their heels. But given the political geography and electoral system of Britain, it is extremely unlikely to overtake..... **Page 17**

The last lap

Now the IOC has a chance to reward Britain's generosity and in so doing to reinforce another British tradition: victory for the underdog..... **Page 17**

Dizzy's sex romps

Almost the entire human race is more interested in sex than in political economy. This is because sex *is* more interesting. People have always been pleased to learn that their rulers have feet and other parts of clay..... **Page 17**

WILLIAM REES-MOGG

The television issues which worry the politicians are not the issues which most concern the public ... *Rare is the wife who nudges her husband at two o'clock in the morning to say: "did you see that Peter Brooke called on the BBC to drop its 'Auntie knows best' attitude?"*..... **Page 16**

MATTHEW PARRIS

Is this the mistake we make with economic policy? Are we unwittingly deepening the troughs, elevating the peaks and amplifying the business cycle, by stimulating when it is too late (when the economy is near the bottom of its bounce) then dampening too late (when the cycle is already near its top)?.... **Page 16**

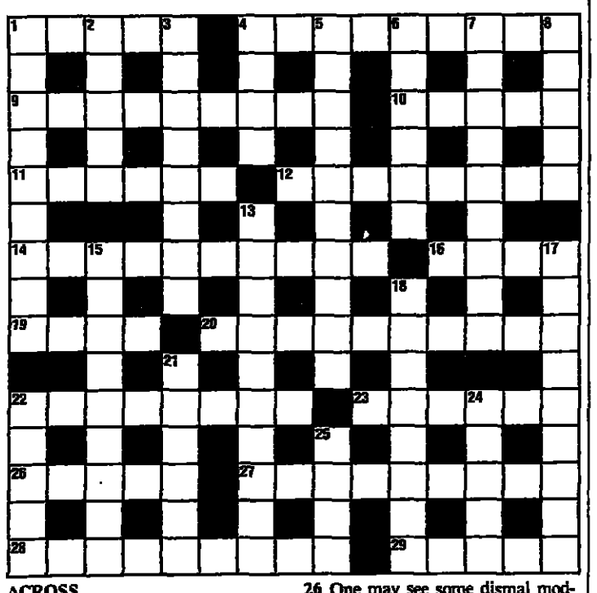
A consultant on compulsive behaviour as a feature of ME..... **Page 17**

The BNP is foul but is the same likely to be true of all 1,480 people who voted for it? Politicians need to ask why the voters turned against their own parties

— The Sunday Telegraph

The politicans need to regain the people's confidence; and last week's council by-election victory is a warning of what can happen if they fail— *The Independent on Sunday*

THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 19,340



ACROSS

1 Transport one or two (5).
4 Setting out about fifty would be *most surprising* (9).
9 Job-seeker put in charge in a phosphorus factory (9).
10 Villain making lament about turn-over (5).
11 People speaking of a mystery writer (6).
12 Not favouring stupid contract (8).
14 Taking over with a certain arrogance (10).
16 An expedition to Abraham's birthplace (4).
19 "Service not included" is the usual *thing* (4).
20 Put in extra big E in printed form (10).
22 Pass a portion that's quite liberal (8).
23 A plug being wrongly fitted, note serious complaint (6).
26 One may see some dismal modern buildings in Sweden (5).
27 A way to put down really up-to-date information (4,5).
28 Men of rank can deal with greatness (9).
29 Beast died after *impetuous* rush (5).

DOWN

1 Having perhaps won a bit as a sailing man (9).
2 A large number work more than adequately (5).
3 English farm animals in satirical verses (8).
4 Pause for a bracer (4).
5 "An undevout —— is mad" (Young) (10).
6 In time a painter will get much abuse (6).
7 Clever in acquiring information on unpaid debts (9).
8 Song about the black earth (5).
13 Manual worker and a graduate *involved in weighty issue (10).*
15 A foreigner without money — it makes him choke! (9).
17 Put on fresh clothing and made up (9).
18 Very quiet in drink — quiet, that is, when food's available (5,3).
21 It may appear a hero's landed! (6).
22 *Sound American soil-improver (5)*
24 Woman writing Greek letter from Greece (5).
25 Control knob (4).

KNOCKANDO
The solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No 19,339 will appear next Saturday. The five winners will receive a bottle of Knockando, a superb Speyside Single Malt Scotch whisky and a stationery rack

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WEATHER

Scotland, Northern Ireland, Wales, northern and western England will have sunny intervals and showers, heaviest in the North West. Southeast England will start bright but cloud will increase from west, perhaps with a thundery shower later. The rest of England will be mainly cloudy with outbreaks of rain. It will be windy in North and West but warm in South East. Outlook: rain clearing the South East, then sunny intervals and showers.

ABROAD

MIDDAY: t=thunder; d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

	C	F			C	F	
Ajaccio	30	86	f	Luxembg	18	64	s
Akrotiri	30	86	s	Madrid	25	77	s
Alex'dria	29	84	s	Majorca	20	68	t
Algiers	26	79	t	Malaga	28	82	s
Amst'dm	17	63	s	Malta	30	86	s
Athens	34	93	s	Melb'rne	13	55	r
Bahrain	34	93	s	Miami*	31	88	f
Bangkok	27	81	r	Milan	24	75	s
Barbados*	29	84	f	Montreal*	17	63	c
Barcelona	25	77	f	Moscow	8	46	c
Beirut	28	82	s	Munich	16	61	s
Belgrade	21	70	s	Naples	32	90	s
Berlin	14	57	s	N Delhi	33	91	f
Bermuda*	30	86	f	N York*	17	63	c
Biarritz	23	73	s	Nice	26	79	f
Borde'x	22	72	s	Oslo	10	50	r
Brussels	18	64	s	Paris	22	72	s
Budapst	15	59	c	Peking	27	81	s
B Aires*	17	63	f	Perth	13	55	f
Cairo	35	95	s	Prague	14	57	s
Cape Tn	24	75	s	Reykjavik	13	55	c
Chicago*	20	68	c	Rhodes	25	77	s
Chi'church	8	46	c	Rio de J	24	75	f
Cologne	19	66	s	Rome	29	84	s
C'phagn	13	55	f	Salzburg	17	63	t
Corfu	30	86	s	S F'isco*	17	63	c
Dublin	15	59	r	Santiago*	16	64	s
Dubrovnik	27	81	f	S Paulo*	25	77	s
Faro	21	70	s	Seoul	27	81	s
Florence	28	82	t	St'kholm	15	55	s
Frankfurt	18	64	s	Strasb'rg	20	68	s
Funchal	25	77	s	Sydney	19	66	s
Geneva	20	68	s	Tangier	23	73	f
Gibraltar	25	77	s	Tel Aviv	31	88	s
Helsinki	9	48	s	Tenerife	26	79	s
Hong K	29	84	f	Tokyo	26	77	f
Innsbruck	17	63	f	Toronto*	16	64	c
Istanbul	24	75	f	Tunis	30	86	f
Jeddah	36	97	s	Valencia	24	75	c
Karachi	32	90	s	Vanc'ver*	12	54	c
L Palmas	25	77	s	Venice	23	73	s
Le Touet	19	66	s	Vienna	16	61	c
Lisbon	21	70	s	Warsaw	12	54	f
Locarno	22	72	s	Wash'ton*	22	72	c
L Angels*	22	72	f	Wellington	9	48	c
				Zurich	21	70	s

* denotes figures are latest available

LONDON

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 20C (68F); min 6pm to 6am, 11C (52F). Humidity 6pm, 45 per cent. Rain: 24hr to 6pm, nil. Sun 24hr to 6pm, 10.3hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6pm, 1,018 *D millibars, falling.* 1,000 millibars = 29.53in.

HIGHEST & LOWEST

Saturday: Highest day temp: Guernsey and Jersey, Channel Islands, 20C (68F); lowest day max, Fair Isle, 11C (52F); highest rainfall: Belfast, 0.03in; highest sunshine: Jersey, 11.2hr.

MANCHESTER

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 18C (64F); min 6pm to 6am, 10C (50F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, nil. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 1.1hr

GLASGOW

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 14C (57F); min 6pm to 6am, 10C (50F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.29in. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, nil.

UK TOWNS

	Sun hrs	Rain in	Max C	Max F	
Aberdeen	4.0	-	14	57	bright
Anglesey	5.7	-	18	64	sunny
Aviemore	1.3	-	14	57	bright
Belfast	0.8	0.03	16	61	rain
Birmingham	6.4	-	17	63	sunny
Bognor Regis	8.7	-	16	61	sunny
Bournemouth	7.7	-	17	63	sunny
Bristol	7.9	-	18	64	sunny
Cardiff	7.6	-	17	63	sunny
Clacton	7.9	-	15	59	sunny
Colwyn Bay	8.0	-	18	64	sunny
Exmouth	5.6	-	16	61	sunny
Falmouth	7.7	-	17	63	sunny
Folkestone	9.4	-	15	59	sunny
Glasgow	2.2	-	16	61	bright
Guernsey	9.4	-	20	68	sunny
Hastings	8.3	-	15	59	sunny
Isle of Man	3.3	-	16	61	bright
Jersey	11.2	-	20	68	sunny
Kinloss	4.7	-	16	61	cloudy
Leeds	3.5	-	17	63	bright
Lerwick	7.7	-	13	55	sunny
Littlehampton	8.8	-	16	61	sunny
Liverpool	5.3	-	16	61	bright
London	9.5	-	17	63	sunny
Lowestoft	4.9	0.01	15	59	sunny
Manchester	6.6	-	16	61	bright
Margate	8.5	-	16	61	sunny
Mirehead	X	-	16	64	bright
Morecambe	3.0	-	17	63	bright
Newcastle	6.5	-	15	59	bright
Newquay	7.0	-	18	64	sunny
Nottingham	4.8	-	16	61	bright
Penzance	5.7	-	18	64	sunny
Plymouth	8.7	-	x	x	sunny
Poole	7.3	-	17	63	sunny
Salcombe	9.2	-	17	63	sunny
Sandown	7.4	-	16	61	sunny
Saunton Snd	8.1	-	19	66	sunny
Scarborough	3.9	-	17	63	bright
Scilly Isles	4.7	-	17	63	cloudy
Shanklin	8.0	-	16	61	bright
Southend	9.4	-	16	61	sunny
Southsea	7.9	-	16	61	sunny
Stornoway	3.8	-	14	57	sunny
Swanage	7.5	-	16	61	sunny
Teignmouth	8.1	-	17	63	sunny
Tenby	6.4	-	17	63	sunny
Tiree	-	-	14	57	cloudy
Torquay	7.7	-	18	64	sunny
Weymouth	6.7	-	17	63	sunny

* denotes Not Available
These are Saturday's figures

TOURIST RATES

	Bank Buys	Bank Sells
Australia $	2.445	2.245
Austria Sch	18.36	16.86
Belgium Fr	66.56	51.16
Canada $	2.125	1.965
Cyprus Cyp£	0.777	0.727
Denmark Kr	10.63	9.86
Finland Mkk	9.45	8.65
France Fr	9.08	8.56
Germany Dm	2.81	2.40
Greece Dr	368.00	349.00
Hong Kong $	12.47	11.47
Ireland Pt	1.105	1.025
Italy Lire	2471.00	2316.00
Japan Yen	177.02	157.50
Malta	0.607	0.552
Netherlands Gld	2.93	2.70
Norway Kr	11.33	10.59
Portugal Esc	282.00	263.50
South Africa Rd	5.90	5.00
Spain Pta	204.00	190.00
Sweden Kr	12.71	11.91
Switzerland Fr	2.28	2.10
Turkey Lira	18600.00	17800.00
USA $	1.625	1.495

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London 7.34 pm to 6.13 am
Bristol 7.49 pm to 6.29 am
Edinburgh 7.47 pm to 6.24 am
Manchester 7.43 pm to 6.21 am
Penzance 7.55 pm to 6.35 am

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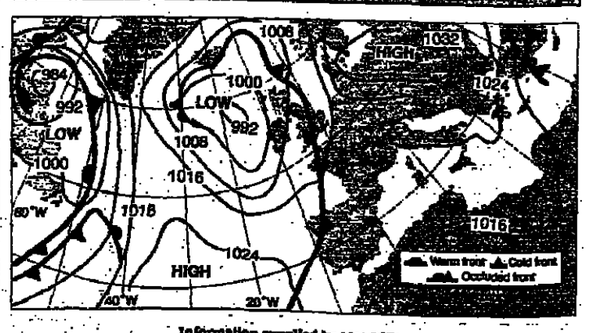
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	C	F			C	F	
Belfast	14	57	c	Guernsey	17	63	s
B'mngham	16	61	f	Inverness	13	55	r
Blackpool	14	57	f	Jersey	19	66	s
Bristol	19	66	f	London	19	66	f
Cardiff	18	64	c	M'nchster	15	59	c
Edinburgh	12	54	r	Newcastle	13	55	f
Glasgow	12	54	r	R'nldsway	13	55	f

TIDE TABLES

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	5.17	7.3	5.33	7.4
Aberdeen	4.38	4.6	5.07	4.1
Avonmouth	10.49	13.3	11.09	13.0
Belfast	2.17	3.7	2.40	3.4
Cardiff	10.34	12.3	10.54	12.0
Devonport	5.22	5.5	5.45	5.3
Dover	2.10	6.7	2.34	6.8
Falmouth	8.52	5.3	9.15	5.1
Glasgow	4.10	5.3	4.42	4.9
Harwich	3.15	4.1	3.30	4.3
Holyhead	1.28	5.9	1.52	5.6
Hull	8.40	7.9	10.07	7.4
Ilfracombe	9.30	9.3	9.53	9.1
King's Lynn	9.56	7.1	10.26	6.5
Leith	6.18	5.8	6.40	5.5

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
Liverpool	2.22	9.8	2.49	9.5
Lowestoft	12.45	2.4	1.00	2.7
Margate	3.27	4.8	3.39	5.0
Milford Haven	8.46	7.1	10.08	6.9
Newquay	5.38	7.1	9.01	6.9
Oban	9.03	3.8	9.18	3.7
Penzance	8.26	5.6	8.51	5.4
Portland	10.22	2.1	10.40	2.0
Portsmouth	2.36	4.9	3.03	4.8
Shoreham	2.33	6.4	2.53	6.4
Southampton	2.03	4.6	2.27	4.8
Swansea	9.49	9.8	10.11	9.5
Tees	7.03	5.7	7.29	5.3
W'ton-on-Nze	3.06	4.3	3.23	4.5



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Manchester United overcome stubborn opposition to go clear at top of table

Cantona masterstroke blunts Arsenal

IAN STEWART



The players in Arsenal's defensive wall barely have time to react as Cantona, the Manchester United striker, takes a free kick by Ince in his stride and rifles home the winning goal in the 38th minute at Old Trafford yesterday



ROB HUGHES
Manchester Utd 1, Arsenal 0

MANCHESTER United, the FA Carling Premiership leaders, eked out their first victory at Old Trafford over Arsenal for four years yesterday. It was won with an absolute masterstroke from the right boot of Eric Cantona, a shot rifled in like an arrow following an indirect free kick from 28 yards.

But, the rare accuracy and beauty of that apart, this was truly a match of force begetting force, a battle mirrored in Steve Bruce who, time and again with increasingly frantic effort, thrust his bandaged and bloodied head to the ball.

The courage of Bruce, the resolve of Manchester United not to be bludgeoned or ground down by Arsenal's obduracy, made this ultimately a slog through weariness by the two most convincing teams in the land. Just as Graham Taylor, the England manager, who has seven players from this encounter in his squad at present, had forecast, this was an unremitting and fierce example of the way football is played in this country, at too great a speed and too inconsiderate a mind to think either of internationals ahead or of the consequence of not pacing the season.

However, with both teams returning after long travels in Europe, the points that took United three points clear at the top of the table were deserved for the flair with with they had dared to entertain the 44,009 crowd when it was obvious from the start that Arsenal had come to destroy.

Two things demonstrated this. The first was Arsenal's overloaded defence. They used McGoldrick as a sweeper with Adams and Linighan marking Cantona and Hughes. Ostensibly this allowed Keown, on the right, and Winterburn, on the left, to clamp down on the flanks, to obliterate the gifted wingers, Giggs and Sharpe.

A clamp on Giggs? The boy, and it remains legitimate to call this 19-year-old that, began cheekily. He lured Winterburn towards a corner flag, then with impudent self-indulgence he dallied, he feigned with delicate shifts of body weight to right and left, and then he bamboozled Winterburn by flicking the ball between the defender's legs.

Arsenal's other intent had been foul. Jensen seemed to start the match as if in search of a victim to kick, and both Sharpe and Ince were hacked down by the Dane.

Strategies and excessive undercurrents of violence can be outwitted. United proved that the tactics are of no consequence whatever when players of fine movement and intuition roam. In the twentieth minute Parker swept forward. Cantona headed the ball down delicately and Hughes swept it out to the right flank, where Giggs lurked. Instantly the Welshman swept inside Winterburn, and from his deep cross Cantona rose with a header which, glancing from the French forehead, bounced agonisingly wide.

United were now into their stride, but it was undone moments later when Campbell and Bruce collided in midair. Bruce, according to Alex Ferguson, his manager, is immune to bodily injury. But, immune or not, he was sensibly persuaded by Vic Callow, the referee, to leave the field for stitches in a cut forehead, and now Manchester had to revise their defence, with Parker moving to the centre, Irwin crossing to right back, and Sharpe temporarily playing at left back.

Yet, while Bruce was having five stitches put into his forehead, the closest Arsenal came was off a Manchester boot, a sliced clearance from Parker almost surprising his goalkeeper before Schmeichel, with alert reaction, chose to head the ball away.

Back came Bruce, back came United's shape, and in the 38th minute came the winner. With so much trauma over refereeing standards, let it be said that Callow intervened with immaculate authority.

He had seen Hillier illegally block Giggs by standing in his way, a familiar Arsenal trait. The free kick, touched into the path of Cantona by Ince, won the match. It was easy to see what was being lined up, but Seaman, the England goalkeeper, could do nothing with his flying dive to prevent the goal. It was Seaman's thirtieth birthday, and the consolation was that no goalkeeper on earth would have saved the shot.

After half-time, Arsenal did at last push forward, though with more effort than imagination, so much so that Wright was never put into a scoring situation. Campbell, his partner, went closer, was twice denied by Schmeichel, and also frustrated by a swooping, clean tackle by Irwin.

Parker, too, provided a timely tackle to deprive Merson, but as the game degenerated, as Callow lost his earlier command, it was lucky that the yellow card was flourished a mere three times — to Keown for kicking the ball at a linesman, to Keane for a stupid lunge, and to Hughes for violent retaliation against Davis.

Ferguson admitted that Hughes could have been sent off and said: "You fear the worst in these situations. If the referee saw the first clash, that's the kind of decision you expect. If he didn't, then Mark will think he's very lucky."

It never resorted to the brawl of three years ago, but the spite that eventually eroded the skill left a nastier taste than the realisation that United, having left out Bryan Robson, had collectively withstood Arsenal's force.

MANCHESTER UNITED (4-4-2): P Schmeichel — P Parker, S Bruce, G Pallister, D Irwin — R Giggs, R Keane, P Ince, L Sharpe — M Hughes (sub: B McClair, 89mm), E Cantona.

ARSENAL (5-3-2): D Seaman — M Keown, A Adams, E McGoldrick, A Linighan, N Winterburn — J Jensen, D Hillier (sub: P Davis, 78), P Merson (sub: A Smith, 78) — K Campbell, I Wright

Referee: V Callow

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Mansell takes IndyCar title

FROM OLIVER HOLT IN NAZARETH, PENNSYLVANIA

NIGEL Mansell made motor racing history yesterday when he became the first driver to win the United States IndyCar championship in his rookie year.

In his Newman-Haas *Lola Ford*, Mansell convincingly outdrove the rest of the field to win the 200-mile race here, the penultimate event of the season.

Scott Goodyear was second and Paul Tracy third while *Emerson Fittipaldi*, Mansell's nearest rival for the title, was convincingly beaten well back in fifth position.

Attacking all the way, Mansell rubbed salt into the wound by lapping *Fittipaldi* before the halfway stage. The Brazilian, like Mansell, also a former winner of the Formula One world championship, saw his hopes evaporate as he finished behind Robby Gordon.

Paul Newman, joint-owner of Newman-Haas, said: "It's been an extraordinary year."

As the leaders in the standings, Mansell and Fittipaldi had started the race side by side on the front row, after rain had wiped out Saturday's practice and qualifying sessions, leaving the configuration of the starting grid to be decided in the order of the drivers' championship.

Fittipaldi suggested Mansell might be handicapped by his lack of experience on the narrow track and, after the starter, Jim Swintal, warned the two protagonists that they must make a fair start, the Brazilian and Tracy hurtled past Mansell into the first corner.

Mansell complained of steering problems and was overtaken by Raul Boesel on the fourth lap. But then, things started to swing back in his favour.

Tracy, brilliant but impetuous, refused to play a supporting role to his team mate and after a nerve-wracking dice, deprived Fittipaldi of the lead on the eleventh lap.

Mansell regained third place from Boesel after a thrilling manoeuvre when the two drivers went each side of Bobby Rahal's Lola. Mansell gradually reined-in *Fittipaldi*.

After brandishing his fist long and hard at Robby Gordon, when he blocked him, he overtook Fittipaldi on the 45th lap and two laps later, passed Tracy to take the lead.

At the race's halfway stage, Fittipaldi was barely clinging on to the fourth place that kept him in with a chance of the championship.

The victory came the day after the Newman-Haas team announced that Mansell, 40, had signed to drive with them for at least another two years. The deal believed to be worth $10 million, thus put an end to speculation that the 1992 Formula One world champion would return to grand prix racing.

Former Formula One drivers like Derek Warwick, Thierry Boutsen and Michele Alboreto are all looking for a drive for next season.

Richards fulfils fantasies as Glamorgan triumph

BY ALAN LEE
CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

CANTERBURY (Kent won toss): Glamorgan (4pts) beat Kent by six wickets

SPORT is so seldom true to its fantasies that the 12,000 who packed Canterbury yesterday can feel privileged — even those who came to acclaim Kent as Sunday champions and instead marvelled at an innings from Vivian Richards which gave him the farewell he craved and Glamorgan the first limited-overs title in their history.

Fourteen balls remained when this tense showdown between the long-time leaders was decided and Richards, unbeaten with 46, raced off, waving his bat ecstatically. He let out a roar of triumph as he reached the pavilion, then sank to his knees, emotion overcoming him. It might only have been the clumsily titled Axa Equity & Law League but to Richards and all Wales it was the realisation of an improbable dream.

Glamorgan had never previously finished higher than fifth in the Sunday league and their ante-post odds of 100-1 looked miserly when they lost their first two matches of the season and had the next washed out. Richards never lost faith, exhorting others in the side to the belief that this competition was there to be won. They have not lost since.

It is not quite the end, for he has a championship innings to play today, but if Richards is now to disappear from first-class cricket, this was an appropriate way to remember him. He has played for higher stakes and to bigger audiences and, certainly, he has batted better. But seldom, even in his remarkable career, can the winning have meant more.

"It is because we have been such an unfancied team over the years that this is so pleasing," Richards said later. Unfancied, unfashionable, unconsidered — Glamorgan have been all these. But, thanks not least to Richards, those days are gone. He leaves with head held high, the swagger never more merited.

"When we [West Indies] won the World Cup in 1975, I thought that was it," he said. "There have been some other scripts since, but this holds a very special place. People have said I don't always play for my team. That is why Somerset got rid of me, but Glamorgan revived my career and I'm so pleased I could repay that."

It was not, of course, a one-man show, nor has it been at any stage of the season. Glamorgan's strength has been the collective contribution, exemplified by stunning, agile fielding. They are not the most talented team, not yet anyway, but they have won the most matches, in all competitions, partly through wanting it the most. A trophy is the least they deserve.

Kent played their part in a stirring occasion. So too did the weather, virtually cloudless through a day which began, for some, at 4am when the cars began to queue outside the main gate. The crowd was Kent's biggest for at least 20 years and, at least at first, the psychological advantage they had gained in the championship match was sustained.

On a pitch that was slow and never straightforward for batting, Kent reached 72 for one in the twentieth over before their decline began with the fall of the cavalier Matthew Fleming. Carl Hooper made another serene half-century but perished at the worst possible moment for his team. From 168 for four, with nine overs remaining, they lost five wickets for 14 before the last pair scrambled 18 runs to attain the respectability of 200.

Kent now had to gamble, which they did with an extended spell for their best bowler, Alan Igglesden. It might have worked, for he dismissed Steve James in his third over and becalmed Hugh Morris. The Glamorgan captain survived, however, and three fours in Igglesden's seventh over shifted the balance again.

Morris and Dale had added 78 in 21 overs when Dale chased a wide one, and the swift fall of Matthew Maynard, to the impressively lively Duncan Spencer, revived Kent's hopes. It also produced the moment that, for many, this day was all about, the ground standing to applaud Richards every step of the way to the middle.

He responded as if, of all things, he was nervous. He lost his cap, his dignity and almost his wicket in a near run-out and was then caught off a no-ball, a call he had not heard. Morris was out for a valiant 67 with 12 overs left and 60 runs needed but Tony Cottey arrived to take his share of pressure and earn his share of the celebration which continued long and loud into the evening.

SUNDAY TABLE

	P	W	L	T	NR	Pts
Glamorgan (16)	17	13	2	0	2	56
Kent (5)	17	12	3	0	2	52
Surrey (4)	17	11	4	0	2	48
Sussex (11)	17	10	5	1	1	44
Northants (13)	17	9	5	1	2	42
Lancashire (11)	17	8	5	1	3	40
Durham (8)	17	8	7	0	2	36
Middlesex (1)	17	7	6	2	2	36
Yorkshire (15)	17	8	8	0	1	34
Derbyshire (13)	17	7	8	0	2	32
Essex (2)	17	7	8	1	1	32
Worcestershire (6)	17	7	8	0	2	32
Gloucs (9)	17	5	9	1	2	26
Leics (18)	17	5	10	0	2	24
Hampshire (3)	17	4	9	0	4	24
Worcestershire (7)	17	4	10	1	2	22
Notts (17)	17	4	12	0	1	18
Somerset (5)	17	2	12	0	3	14

(last season's positions in parentheses)

SCOREBOARD

KENT

T R Ward c Metson b Watkin	11
M V Fleming c Morris b Croft	44
C L Hooper c Dale b Barwick	60
N J Llong b Dale	25
M A Ealham lbw b Croft	13
G R Cowdrey c Metson b Dale	10
††S A Marsh c Lefebvre b Watkin	6
D J Spencer c Richards b Watkin	5
D P Fulton c and b Lefebvre	1
D W Headley not out	10
A P Igglesden not out	6
Extras (lb 8, nb 1)	9
Total (9 wkts, 60 overs)	200

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-29, 2-72, 3-103, 4-123, 5-168, 6-170, 7-180, 8-180, 9-182

BOWLING: Lefebvre 10-0-43-1; Watkin 10-1-33-3; Barwick 10-1-33-1; Croft 10-1-42-2; Dale 10-1-41-2.

GLAMORGAN

S P James c Cowdrey b Igglesden	3
*H Morris c Fleming b Ealham	67
A Dale c Marsh b Headley	31
M P Maynard lbw b Spencer	2
I V A Richards not out	46
P A Cottey not out	33
Extras (b 7, lb 1, w 7, nb 4)	19
Total (4 wkts, 47.4 overs)	201

R D B Croft, †C P Metson, R P Lefebvre, S L Watkin and S R Barwick did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-8, 2-84, 3-88, 4-141.

BOWLING: Igglesden 10-1-43-1, Ealham 10-3-20-1; Headley 10-0-43-1; Hooper 9-0-44-0; Spencer 8.4-1-43-1.

Umpires: D J Constant and G A Stickley.

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Hughes steps down, page 23

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Woosnam strides into Cup week in ominous form

FROM JOHN HOPKINS, GOLF CORRESPONDENT, IN PARIS

IAN Woosnam won the Lancôme Tropy at Saint-Nom-la-Bretèche by two strokes yesterday afternoon, thereby sending out two warnings to those who play golf alongside him. The first is that the rehabilitation of his true character, which he has been trying to revive under the supervision of a sports psychologist, is working. The "Boozy Woosie" image is back, in other words. "I fear no one," Woosnam said and by the look in his eye and on his face he means it. It was his second victory in a month.

The second message to emerge is that although his victory was not as emphatic as that of 1987, when he finished 24 under par, he is playing very tidily. His first and fourth rounds were 64 and 65, and he had a final total of 267, 13 under par.

This is important for Woosnam — and for Europe. A lot is expected from him in his sixth successive Ryder Cup appearance at The Belfry this week, and if he starts in the same frame of mind as he did at Muirfield Village six years ago then that can only be for the best for Europe's cause. "The last time I won here we went on to win the Ryder Cup," he said. "This has given me confidence."

Woosnam nosed to the front as the tournament neared its end. Up to then, it had looked as though Sam Torrance was going to win. He led after nine holes and by two strokes with five holes left. As the pressure increased, Torrance played a couple of sloppy strokes that were probably a result of being out of action lately because of the chest injury he incurred while sleepwalking.

He hooked a drive on the 14th to drop one stroke and dropped another on the next hole. Woosnam, playing with Torrance, saw his opportunity. He birdied the long 16th and hit such a good drive on the 17th that he could flick a nine-iron the 135 yards necessary to end near the flag. Then he holed his putt. After hitting a dubious drive, Torrance bogeyed the hole for a two-stroke swing that was the margin of victory.

David Feherty, having missed the Ryder Cup team, achieved what was left to him. He had to finish in the top 25 to make sure of getting into the final US PGA Tour qualifying school where he hopes to win a card to play in the United States next year. His third place, and with it the not-insignificant sum of £28,600, did that handsomely.

A word of praise for Feherty is in order here. Walking from the 11th green to the 12th tee he sought out the mother of a small, noisy child and gave her his golf ball. It was the gesture of a gentleman and a father, for the child had been crying hard as Feherty was putting. Ultimately he did not win a tournament he might have won — he led at one time on a hectic final afternoon — but with this gesture he won a few French hearts.

Five of Europe's Ryder Cup team — Torrance, Mark James, Barry Lane and Nick Faldo — finished within four strokes of Woosnam. Faldo rounded off his week with what can only be described as a sprint. He birdied five of his last seven holes including the last three. He wore a big smile on his face — and no wonder.

In fact, on another day of sunshine the only cloud to be seen was over the head of José Maria Olazábal. There is no end to the woes of the 27-year-old Spaniard. A 73 was yet another poor score and left him six over par.

He is experiencing his first serious run of bad form since he was an amateur and, frankly, watching him cope with it is not very edifying. He swears, bangs clubs and declines to talk. He is behaving like a spoilt young man.

Olazábal is now even suggesting he should be dropped from the first two days of the Ryder Cup. "My confidence is not very good" he said, an understatement if ever there was one. "I will have to talk to Bernard [Gallacher, the European team's captain] if I don't play well in practice this week. I think the players who are playing the best should play the first two days — whoever they are."

Spare a thought for Ronan Rafferty, nominated by Gallacher as the reserve for his team if Langer is unable to play. Gallacher will make up his mind on Tuesday morning whether the German, the reigning US Masters' champion, is fit enough to play and notify Rafferty that afternoon.

"I have not had the best preparation so far," Rafferty said. "First I thought I was going to make the team, anyway. Then I thought I might be in because of Sam. Now I'm hanging on for Bernhard."

He has only himself to blame, however. Rafferty should have made sure of a place in the team by playing more and better. He should have tried to qualify for the Open Championship instead of going to some inconsequential pro-am in Geneva, for example. In the end, Rafferty may have got his just desserts, unpalatable as they are.

SCORES

FINAL ROUND (GB and Ire unless stated): 267: I Woosnam, 64, 70, 68, 65 269: S Torrance, 69, 65, 68, 67 270: B Lane, 71, 66, 66, 67, M James, 65, 66, 72, 67, D Feherty, 69, 63, 69, 69. 271: N Faldo, 69, 67, 69, 66; F Couples (US), 70, 65, 65, 71 273: M Roe, 68, 70, 68, 67 274: J Rivero (Sp), 70, 66, 66, 72. 276: J Parnevik (Swe), 71, 67, 70, 68, P Baker, 66, 67, 73, 70; D Gilford, 74, 65, 63, 74 277: S Ames (Tri), 72, 68, 68, 69

278: P Fowler (Aus), 72, 69, 68, 69, C Montgomerie, 67, 72, 68, 71 279: G Brand Jnr, 71, 70, 70, 68, J Spence, 72, 71, 68, 68; D Clarke, 71, 71, 68, 71 280: G Orr, 72, 74, 69, 65 R Rafferty, 69, 69, 73, 69, M A Jiménez (Sp), 65, 76, 70, 69; H Clark, 67, 70, 71, 72; S Richardson, 72, 66, 70, 72; P Mitchell, 67, 66, 75, 72, P Way, 68, 70, 69, 73 281: C Rocca (It), 70, 71, 72, 68; T Johnstone (Zim), 73, 67, 72, 69, R Goosen (SA), 68, 70, 73, 70; R Chapman, 70, 70, 70, 71 282: R Davis (Aus), 73, 73, 69, 67, S Tinning (Den), 73, 68, 70, 71, E Romero (Arg), 71, 74, 64, 73



Woosnam, in good form after completing his second victory inside a month

Arruti swift to make Tour mark

AMAYA Arruti, 23, from Spain, recorded a closing round of 70 to win the Italian women's Open in only her sixth tournament as a professional at Lignano yesterday. With an 18-under-par aggregate of 270, the former Spanish amateur champion finished two strokes ahead of Annika Sorenstam, from Sweden, to collect a winner's cheque for £15,750.

Laura Davies, of Britain, failed in her attempt to to win a record fourth order of merit title when a final round of 76 left her sharing eighth place. Davies was the only player able to overhaul Karen Lunn, of Australia, who did not play in the tournament, and needed to do so by winning in Lignano because she herself misses the final Tour event, the Var Open in France next month.

Arruti dropped only her second shot in 72 holes at the 11th but by then three birdies in an outward run of 33 had left the Spaniard out of reach by the chasing pack.

Sorenstam made a brave attempt with a 67 in which she never exceeded par. It left her in second place for the fourth time this year. She earned the consolation of winning the award for the rookie of the year.

LEADING FINAL-ROUND SCORES (GB and Ire unless stated): 270: A Arruti (Sp), 67, 65, 68, 70. 272: A Sorenstam (Swe), 67, 70, 68, 67 274: K Parker (US), 69, 66, 68, 71. 276: C Dibnah (Aus), 69, 68, 76, 65; A Jones (Aus), 71, 63, 76, 66 280: H Wadsworth, 71, 67, 71, 71, L Fairclough, 71, 69, 68, 72 282: L Hackney, 71, 69, 71, 71; L Davies, 70, 70, 66, 76. 283: K Espinasse (Fr), 69, 70, 74, 70; D Ammaccapane (US), 69, 74, 69, 71. 284: S Gronberg (Swe), 69, 70, 74, 71, L DePaulo (US), 69, 71, 73, 71, L Maritz (SA), 72, 68, 73, 71. 285: D Dowling, 71, 67, 76, 71; C Nilsmark (Swe), 71, 72, 71, 71. 286: D Reid, 72, 73, 69, 72.

Winners rely on foursome success

FROM PATRICIA DAVIES IN PARIS

GREAT Britain and Ireland beat the Continent of Europe by 13½ points to 10½ to win the Vagliano Trophy for the sixth successive time, at Morfontaine on Saturday. Stark though the scoreline was, from a continental point of view, the match was by no means one-sided.

On both days, the visitors won the foursomes by a margin of three to one and that was the difference. On Saturday afternoon, with a four-point deficit to overcome, the Europeans won the singles but it was not enough.

Julie Hall, the British strokeplay champion, was revitalised by a lesson from Mickey Walker. The Solheim Cup captain was in a distinguished gallery that included her fellow former British champions, Brigitte Varangot and Lally Segard. Hall lost both her matches on Friday but won twice on Saturday and was four under par when she beat Vibeke Stensrud, the European champion, on the 18th.

Wins by Delphine Bourson, Laura Navarro and the Swedes, Maria Hjort and Anna Carin Jonasson, stirred European hopes of an upset but the two Joannes, Hockley and Morley, won, the latter coming from three down after four to beat Estefania Knuth 4 and 3. Nikki Buxton, the English champion, remained unbeaten by halving with Silvia Cavallieri.

However, Hjort's was the outstanding performance. The Swede, about to take up a golf scholarship at Stirling University, was five down after nine against Mhairi McKay, from Turnberry, the British girls' champion, but won on the 17th.

In a scintillating run that baffled her as much as it bemused the Scot, Hjort had seven birdies in the eight holes from the tenth. McKay just shrugged — there was little else for her to do. Morfontaine, lying immaculate, can only rarely have been so summarily dismissed.

Bradford give Fox reason to celebrate

Wakefield Trinity............ 8
Bradford Northern........ 13

By CHRISTOPHER IRVINE

PETER Fox, marking his 40 years in rugby league as player and coach, had further cause to celebrate yesterday after his Bradford Northern side assumed the lead of the Stones Bitter championship from Wigan.

After nudging ahead in the 67th minute, Bradford put up stout resistance but were fortunate to get a hand on the elusive Bagnall as the Wakefield scrum half breached a thicket of defenders.

Newlove, at £245,000, a Bradford record signing, was again a bit-part player in a performance littered by handling errors and fluffed opportunities close to the line.

Bradford's script went awry after tremendous support play by Kebbie and Fairbank put Fox clear for a try in the sixth minute. He dropped a goal a few moments later. But too often the Bradford forwards stumbled over themselves, an affliction that spread to Wakefield despite the endeavours of Hanlan.

Goddard broke through two tackles for a Wakefield touchdown, to add to his two goals, but it was not until well after Bagnall had been sin-binned for illegally holding back Fox that Bradford girded themselves. Watson streaked out of defence and Newlove's final pass to Kebbie, unlike several others, stuck firmly.

SCORERS: Wakefield Trinity: Try: Goddard. Goals: Goddard (2). Bradford Northern: Tries: Fox, Kebbie. Goals: Fox (2) Dropped goal: Fox.

WAKEFIELD TRINITY: G Spencer, A Raw, A Mason, R Goddard, A Wilson; L Hanlay, G Bagnall; I Marlow (sub: Waddell, 69min), N Bell, H Waddell (sub: P Round, 27), D Woods, M Forshaw, M Fuller (sub: A Flynn, 69)

BRADFORD NORTHERN: D Watson: S McGowan (sub: R Simpson, 47), D Shelford, P Newlove, B Kebbie, N Summers, D Fox, R Powell (sub: C Winterburn, 65), T Clark, J Hamer, P Dixon, K Fairbank D Heron.

Referee: I Ollerton.

☐ Wigan, the champions, suffered their first defeat of the season when they were beaten 35-22 in a seven-try mauling against newly promoted Featherstone.

FOR THE RECORD

ATHLETICS

GREAT NORTH RUN: Men: 1 M Tanui (Ken), 1hr 0min 15sec, 2, P Evans (Belgrave), 1:01 45. 3 R Nerurkar (Bingley), 1:01:53. 4, S Brace (Bridgend), 1:03 04. 5, M McLoughlin (Liverpool Harriers), 1:03 09 6, P Roden (Sale), 1:03 19 Women: 1, T Laroupe (Ken), 1 12:55, 2, O Bondarenko (Russ), 1 13:13; 3, Z Pieterse (SA), 1:13 30. 4, K Bailey (New Forest Runners), 1 16.41 5, D Sanderson (Watford), 1:17:19. 6, J Colby (Durham City), 1 18.01

AMAGASAKI, Japan: Women's 20,000m: I Maki (Japan), 1hr 6min 48 8sec (world record)

AUSTRALIAN RULES

AUSTRALIAN LEAGUE (AFL): Preliminary final: Essendon 17 9 (111) bt Adelaide 14 16 (100). Essendon play Carlton in grand final

BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Friday: Florida 2 Chicago 0; San Francisco 13 Cincinnati 0. Montreal 8 Philadelphia 7 (12 inns). Atlanta 2 New York 1 (10 inns). Houston 3 San Diego 0, Pittsburgh 2 St Louis 1, Colorado 12 Los Angeles 3 Saturday: San Francisco 6 Cincinnati 1 New York 3 Atlanta 2 (10 inns), Chicago 6 Florida 5, Philadelphia 5 Montreal 4, Houston 4 San Diego 2: St Louis 8 Pittsburgh 1, Los Angeles 9 Colorado 0

AMERICAN LEAGUE: Friday: Cleveland 3 Detroit 1, New York 5 Boston 4; Milwaukee 2 Baltimore 0; Toronto 4 Minnesota 2. California 2 Texas 1, Chicago 8 Oakland 0. Kansas City 6 Seattle 3 Saturday: Toronto 5 Minnesota 1, New York 4 Boston 3 Detroit 7 Cleveland 6: Oakland 3 Chicago 2, Milwaukee 3 Baltimore 0, Texas 9 California 2, Kansas City 1 Seattle 0

BASKETBALL

BUDWEISER PREMIER LEAGUE: Sunderland 77 (Saunders 32, N Hopper 15, A Hopper 11, P Douglas 11), Birmingham 75 (Simms 18, Harrell 18, Branch 14); Guildford 81 (Pearson 23, Duncan 18, Byrd 17), Worthing 69 (Hamed 21, Lewis 15, Irish 17) Hemel Hempstead 82 (Dennison 20, Lloyd 17, Noel 9). Doncaster 98 (Joseph 30, Mitchell 21, Barran 14), London 85 (Moore 23 R Scantlebury 16, Ayala 12). Sunderland 72 (Saunders 37, A Hopper 8, C Kirkham 8), Oldham 64 (Merrifield 21, Lemmer 20, Casey 13), Thames Valley 102 (Obasello 23, Lloyd 13 Cooke/Holley 13).

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Men: First division: Bury Lobos 77 Broxton Topcats 74, Crystal Palace Mavericks 70 Cardiff Heat 62, Solent Stars 75 Sheffield Forgers 65 Stockton Mohawks 92 Ware Rebels 81 Women: First division: Ipswich 58 Sheffield Hatters 85, Northampton 76ers 60 Thames Valley Ladies 57

BOWLS

NARBOROUGH, Leicestershire: Ashbourne Homes All England mixed pairs championship. Quarter-finals: E and G Vigor (Surrey) bt P Parten and M Wade (Leicestershire) 24-7, W Lyons and J Crosby (Hertfordshire) bt J and J Stringfellow (Devon) 25-11 B Carey and B Kilby (Gloucestershire) bt E Trotter and R Gass (Cumbria) 20-15; R and J Markham (Lincolnshire) bt E and D Shorter (Norfolk) 20-18. Semi-finals: Lyons and Crosby bt Vigor and Vigor 19-16, Carey and Kilby bt Markham and Markham 16-15 Final: Lyons and Crosby bt Carey and Kilby 26-10.

BROADSTAIRS: Shepherd Neame open tournament: Men's singles: Semi-finals: C Tingey (Margate) bt M Horne (Wolverton Town). 21-20, J Roy (Dane Park) bt W Norman (Stony Stratford). 21-19 Final: Tingey bt Roy, 21-15 Women's singles: Final: J Stern (Northolt) bt N Biddlecombe (Gravesend), 21-9. Mixed pairs: Final: S Dewey (Dane Park) and W Norman (Stony Stratford) bt S Gell (St George's) and A Rogers (Queenborough), 22-14.

EDINBURGH: CIS Insurance Scottish indoor singles championship: Quarter-finals: A Bradley (Inverclyde) 21, S Syme (Coatbridge) 13, A Marshall (Bainfield) 21, W Grant (Ardrossan) 3, D Gourlay Jr (Prestwick) 21, G Watt (Fraserburgh) 9, M Marshall (Edinburgh) 21, J Marshall (Bon Accord) 13

BOXING

LEICESTER: WBO middleweight championship: Chris Pyatt (Leicester, holder) ko Hugo Corti (Arg), 6th rnd Heavyweight (10 rnd) Herbie Hide (Norwich) bt Everett Martin (US), pts

DUSSELDORF: IBF light-heavyweight championship: Henry Maske (Ger, holder) bt Anthony Hembrick (US)

BANGKOK: WBC strawweight championship: Ricardo Lopez (Mex) bt Toto Por Pongsawang (Thai), rsc 11th rnd.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Stones Bitter Championship
First division

Featherstone 35 Wigan 22
Featherstone. Tries: Maloney 2, Butt, Manning, Gary H Price, Roebuck, Tuuta Goals: Pearson 2, Maloney Dropped goal: Maloney Wigan: Tries: Betts, Mather, Robinson, Skerrett. Goals: Botica 2, Lydon Att: 5,572

Hull 28 Salford 12
Hull. Tries: Eastwood, Gay, Jones, Sterling. Goals: Eastwood 6 Salford: Tries: Forber, Ford Goals: Blakeley 2. Att: 3,983

Leeds 42 Hull KR 6
Leeds: Tries: Hanley 3, Cummins 2, Cook, Schofield Goals: Holroyd 7 Hull KR: Try: Sodje Goal: Barkworth Att: 9,037.

Oldham 12 Warrington 18
Oldham: Try: Crompton. Goals: Topping 4 Warrington: Tries: Davies 2, Shelford Goals: Davies 3 Att: 5,755

Sheffield 14 Halifax 40
Sheffield: Tries: Gamson, Plange, Stott Goal: Aston Halifax: Tries: Hagen 2, Bentley, Harland, Hamson, Lay, Preston Goals: Bishop 6 Att: 4,425

St Helens 34 Leigh 16
St Helens: Tries: Lyon 2, Griffiths, Nickle, Riley, Ropati. Goals: Martyn 5 Leigh (6) 16 Tries: Andy Collier, Hanger, Martin. Goals: Clarke 2. Att: 6,372

Wakefield 8 Bradford 13
Wakefield: Tries: Goddard Goals: Goddard 2 Bradford (5) 13 Tries: Fox, Kebbie Goals: Fox 2. Dropped goal: Fox. Att: 5,386

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bradford	4	4	0	0	105	72	8
Halifax	4	3	1	0	116	52	7
Castleford	4	3	0	1	81	48	6
Leeds	4	3	0	1	102	69	6
Wigan	4	3	0	1	110	77	6
Warrington	4	3	0	1	86	57	6
Featherstone	4	3	0	1	99	86	6
St Helens	4	2	0	2	76	63	4
Hull	4	1	1	2	58	58	3
Oldham	4	1	0	3	72	82	2
Salford	4	1	0	3	79	101	2
Widnes	4	1	0	3	83	112	2
Sheffield	4	1	0	3	83	116	2
Wakefield	4	1	0	3	48	89	2
Hull KR	4	1	0	3	56	110	2
Leigh	4	0	0	4	42	104	0

Second division

Batley	28	Rochdale	17
Carlisle	12	Workington	28
Doncaster	27	Barrow	16
Highfield	10	Ryedale York	24
Huddersfield	34	London Crus	10
Keighley	30	Dewsbury	9
Swinton	36	Bramley	22
Whitehaven	26	Hunslet	10

NATIONAL CONFERENCE LEAGUE: Askam 18, Hemel Hempstead 26, Blackpool 20, Leigh MW 54, Chorley 24, Woolston 14, Egremont 10, Saddleworth 36; Nottingham City 22, Wigan St Patricks 42, West Hull 18, Dudley Hill 30.

CRICKET

RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Chesterfield: Sussex forfeited 1st innings and 198-9, Derbyshire forfeited first innings and 200-5 (T A Tweats 92, G R Hill 58 not out) Derbyshire won by 5 wkts.

CYCLING

TIME-TRIALS: Burton and District 10 miles: 1, D Sweeney (Invicta), 21min 9sec: 2, N Martin (Dinnington), 21 57, 3, P Wilkins (Ashfield), 22:37. Team: Coventry Olympic. North Middlesex and Hertfordshire CA (100 miles): J French (Leo RC), 3 40.59 (event record) Team: Leo RC, 11:23:21. Women: Y McGregor (Bradford Olympic), 3.58:31. Yorkshire RC (50 miles), K Dawson (GS Strada), 1:50:02 Team: East Bradford CC, 6:03 42. Stevenage CC (25 miles): S Dangerfield (Leo RC), 49:42 (event record) Team: Leo RC, 2:31:53 Doncaster Wheelers (25 miles) J Ramsbottom (Dinnington RC), 52.49 Team: Rockingham CC, 2:58:33. Andover Wheelers (25 miles): C Brooks (VC Camelot), 53 18 (course record) Team: VC Camelot 2 59 17 Corinium CC (Kemble, Gloucestershire, 25 miles), C Pritchard (Bio RT), 53 39 (course and event record) Team Bio RT, 2:44 46 West Cheshire TTCA (25 miles): J Howard (Merseyside Wheelers), 54:39 Team Mid-Shropshire Wheelers, 2:57:34 Lincoln Wheelers (25 miles) J Hamson (Invicta RC), 54 40 Team, Lincoln Wheelers, 2:57 52 Bromsgrove Olympique CC (25 miles): W Moore (Leo RC), 54:49 Ferryhill Wheelers (25 miles) P Wildsmith (Barnesbury CC), 54 58. Team Team Rapide, 2.50:05 Dursley RC (25 miles) S Bray (Invicta RC), 58 50. Team Severn RC, 2 59.24 Ythan CC (Aberdeen, 25 miles), A Watt (Aberdeen Multisports), 1 01:20 Forres CC (25 miles) F Shaw (Edinburgh University CC), 1 03 30 Border CA (Hampshire two-up 25 miles) D Cotongton and J Pegg (Charlotteville CC), 43 45 Andover Wheelers (10 miles) C Brooks (VC Camelot) 20 01 (course and event record). Team Bio RT, 1 02:04 Portsmouth North End CC (10 miles) R Hayles (Team Haverhill), 20:20 (course record) Team Fareham Wheelers, 1.11:42

ROAD RACES: Scottish open championship (Kilmacolm, Strathclyde, 105 miles): 1, J Tanner (Nielson-Tivoli), 4hr 27min 46sec, 2, C Lillywhite (Banana), at 3sec 3, N Dunn (Middridge), 1min 58sec Tour of Meddeny (Scottish Grand Prix series, Crieff, 75 miles) S Finnegan (Johnstone Wheelers), 2.57.15

HILL CLIMBS: Huddersfield RC (Holme Moss, 1mile, 500 yards) S Green (Oldham Century RC), 7:03.1 CC Todmorden (Mytholmroyd, 5 miles) L Holmes (Morley CC), 16 32 8 Team, Morley CC, 52:58.21 East of Scotland CA championship (Cume, 880 yards) D Lindsay (Penicuik RT), 2:28.69

CYCLO-CROSS: Calder Clanon (Wakefield, 12 miles) J Watson (Bradford Olympic), 57 00.

TOUR OF LAZIO (Nettuno to Rome, 197km, Italy unless stated): 1, P Richard (Switz), 5hr 27min 32sec. 2, G Furlan, same time. 3, R Caruso, 22sec behind, 4, G Bortolami, 27 5, C Chiappucci, same time

BUHL, Germany: Grand prix two-man team time-trial (73.6km): 1, G Bugno and M Fondries (It), 1hr 29min 4sec; 2, C Boardman (GB) and C Chiappucci (It), 47sec behind; 3, P Lino and T Marie (Fr), 1min 56sec: 4, A Zuelle (Switz) and J Bruyneel (Bel), 2 47, 5, O Ludwig (Ger) and T Rominger (Switz), 3.20.

METABIEF, France: Men's world mountain bike championship: Cross-country: 1, H Djernis (Den), 2hr 56min 39sec, 2, M Gerritsen (Holl), 3.02.12. 3, J Ostergaard (Den), 3:02.29 British placing: 10, B Clarke, 3:08.22. Downhill: 1, M King (US), 4min 44 5sec: 2, P Caramellino (It), 4 45.3. 3, M Rockwell (US), 4 46.9 British placings: 19, R Warner, 4:58.9; 37, S Kipling, 5:07 5; 80, I Collins, 5:32.7

LE MANS, France: Tour de l'Avenir: Eleventh stage (83.5km): 1, S Wesemann (Ger), 1hr 47min 50sec, 2, C Peers (Bel), 3, J Blijlevens (Holl), 4, J Kirsipuu (Est): 5, G Bouvard (Fr): 6, L van Bon (Holl), all same time Twelfth stage (18 5km): 1, E Seigneur (Fr), 23min 26sec: 2, S Heulot (Fr), at 29sec. 3, Van Bon, at 32, 4, F Simon (Fr), 36, 5, T Davy (Fr), 37, 6, B Hamburger (Den), 43. Overall: 1, Davy, 36hr 48min 11sec, 2, Simon, at 1sec, 3, Hamburger, 1.15, 4, H Trumheller (Ger), 1:35

FOOTBALL

Late results on Friday

ENDSLEIGH INSURANCE LEAGUE: Third division: Doncaster Rovers 0, Mansfield Town 1

GM VAUXHALL CONFERENCE: Halifax Town 0, Witton Albion 0

EUROPEAN CUP-WINNERS' CUP: First round: First leg: Hajduk Split (Cro) 1, Ajax (Hol) 0 (match played in Ljubljana, Slovenia)

GERMAN LEAGUE: Freiburg 2, Kaiserslautern 3, Leipzig 1, Hamburg 4, Stuttgart 1, Cologne 1

SMIRNOFF IRISH LEAGUE: Newry 1 Glenavon 1

GOLF

MORFONTAINE, France: Vagliano Trophy: GB and Ireland 13½, Continent of Europe 10½. Second day: Foursomes (GB and Ireland names first): J Hall and L Walton bt L Navarro and M J Pons, 4 and 3, C Lambert and J Moodie bt S Cavallen and E Knuth, 5 and 4, K Speak and M McKay lost to D Bourson and S Dallongeville, 3 and 2, J Morley and N Buxton bt V Stensrud and M Hjort 2 and 1 Singles: Hall bt Stensrud, 2 holes Lambert lost to Bourson, 2 and 1. Moodie lost to Navarro 5 and 3. Hockley bt Dallongeville, 2 and 1: McKay lost to Hjort, 2 and 1 Buxton halved with Cavallen; Walton lost to A C Jonasson, 3 and 2, Morley bt Knuth, 4 and 3

COAL VALLEY, Illinois: Men's tournament: Third round (US unless stated) 195: D Frost (SA), 63, 63 64 197: D A Weibring, 66, 65, 66 199: K Perry, 65, 70, 64. 200: R Black, 68 67 65 201: L Rinker, 69 67, 65, D Edwards, 67, 68, 66, P Stewart, 66, 68, 67, A Magee, 68, 66, 67 202: P H Horgan III, 68, 68 66 W Wood, 66, 69, 67, D Barr (Can), 65, 66 71 J Woodland (Aus), 63, 70, 69 203: B Tway, 69, 67, 67, C Perry, 68, 67, 68 B Chamblee, 71, 64, 68, D Mann, 66 68, 69, M Schuchart, 69 65, 69

KENT, Washington: Women's tournament: Third round (US unless stated) 204: R Jones 70, 67, 67, 208: K Monaghan, 69, 71, 68, L Marten, 72, 66, 70, 209: T Green, 72, 67, 70 H Alfredsson (Swe), 70, 67, 72, B Burton 66 68 73 210: J Lidback (Peru), 68, 76, 66, P Sheehan, 73, 70, 67, J Dickinson, 71, 67, 72; A Benz, 72, 65, 73 212: N Scranton, 72, 70, 70, L Rittenhouse, 71, 71, 70: L West, 76, 65, 71 213: A Alcott, 71, 73, 69; L Neumann (Swe), 72, 69, 72; S Strudwick (GB), 68, 72, 73.

GYMNASTICS

LIVERPOOL: English championships: Artistic: Men (all Central Manchester): 1 M Campbell 53.15, 2 C Heap 51 40, 3 P Bowler 51.20 Women: 1 J Brady (London) 36 775, 2 K Szymko (Ashford, Middx) 36 925: 3 K Hackman (Watford) 35.575 Rhythmics: 1 A McKenzie (Westminster) 33.925, 2 L Southwick (Merseyside) 33.275, 3 A Deehan (Coventry) 32 90. Sports Acrobatics: Mixed pairs: H Hurd, M Skipper (King's Lynn) 18 50. Trio: J Clarke, S Scottow, R Tuddenham (Chermond), 18 20. Women's pairs: C Curran, K Naylor (Seagulls), 17 30.

HOCKEY

TERRASSA, Spain: Junior World Cup: Play-offs: Women: Fifth place: Holland 1, China 0 Eleventh place: Scotland 3, Trinidad and Tobago 1 Ninth: England 1, Kenya 0. Third: Germany 2, South Korea 2 (Germany won 3-2 on penalty strokes). Final: Argentina 2, Australia 1. Men: Semi-finals: Pakistan 4, Holland 3. Cross-over matches: Scotland 2, Egypt 1, Malaysia 2, South Korea 4 Eleventh place: Malaysia 4, Egypt 0. Ninth: South Korea 3, Scotland 1. Seventh: Spain 3, Cuba 2. Fifth: England 3, Argentina 1. Third: Australia 3, Holland 1.

MOTOR RACING

SILVERSTONE: British touring car championship: 1, P Radisch (NZ, Ford Mondeo), 22 laps, 23min 15.25sec, 2, A Rouse (GB, Ford Mondeo), 1 62sec behind. 3, W Hoy (GB, Toyota Carina), 2.54; 4, D Leslie (GB, Vauxhall Cavalier), 2.93, 5, S Soper (GB, BMW 318), 7 16. Drivers' championship: Final positions: 1, J Winkelhoch (Ger), 163pts; 2, S Soper (GB), 150; 3, Radisch, 111; 4, J Cleland (GB), 102; 5, J Bailey (GB, Toyota Carina), 87.

MOTOR RALLYING

RALLY OF AUSTRALIA (after second day) 1, J Kankkunen (Fin), Toyota Celica, 2hr 13min 15sec; 2, C McRae (GB), Subaru Legacy RS, 2.14.34, 3, A Vatanen (Fin), Subaru Legacy RS, 2:16:46, 4, F Delecour (Fr), Ford Escort, 2 17.49; 5, M Biasion (It), Ford Escort, 2:19:19

RUGBY LEAGUE

WINFIELD CUP: Preliminary final: Brisbane 23, Canterbury 16

RUGBY UNION

RANFURLY SHIELD: Auckland (holders) 6, Waikato 17

SYDNEY PREMIERSHIP: Final: Gordon 23, Warringah 19.

BRISBANE PREMIERSHIP: Final: South Brisbane 27, Sunnybank 8

SNOOKER

BLACKPOOL: Regal Welsh Open: Eighth qualifying round (England unless stated): M King bt S Ali, 5-2 M Couch bt D Taylor, 5-3; T Murphy (N Ire) bt J Chambers, 5-0; G Greene bt S Campbell, 5-4; M Williams (Wales) bt J Shelton, 5-1, P McPhillips (Scot) bt J Bayliss, 5-1, R Foxall bt M Campbell (Scot), 5-4; C Scanlon bt R Garrett, 5-0, J Read bt P Kenny, 5-1, S Lee bt D McDonnell, 5-3, J Grech (Malta) bt M O'Sullivan, 5-2 L Flowerdew bt A Rosa, 5-3; P Tanner bt B Harris, 5-2, J Burnett (Scot) bt D Grimwood, 5-0; A Borg (Malta) bt S Beggiato, 5-4, K Burrows bt I Brumby, 5-3; M Rowing bt B Gollan (Can), 5-3, F O'Brien (Ire) bt C Cookson, 5-2; S Storey bt K Broughton, 5-2; N Walker bt A Cairns, 5-3, J Long (Ire) bt S Bigham (Scot), 5-3, S Judd bt J Whittaker, 5-2; G Horne (Scot) bt C Morton, 5-2: L Richardson wo W King (Aus), scr, C Kelly bt S Mifsud (Aus), 5-1 S O'Connor (Ire) bt S Duggan, 5-1, J Delaney (Ire) bt Y Merchant (India), 5-4; P Davison bt M Smith, 5-2; N Marsh bt E Henderson (Scot), 5-0; S Rowswell bt C Small (Scot), 5-1; N Dyson bt K Owers, 5-3.

TENNIS

NOTTINGHAM: LTA autumn satellite tournament: Men's singles: Final: D Sapsford (Surrey) bt T Henman (Oxford), 7-5, 6-4 Men's doubles: Final: P Hand (Berks) and M Maclagan (Scot) bt Henman and R Matheson (Scot), 6-3, 1-6, 6-1

BUCHAREST: Romanian Open: Men's singles: Semi-finals: A Cherkasov (Russ) bt A Gaudenzi (It), 6-4, 3-6, 6-1; G Ivanisevic (Cro) bt G Perez-Roldan (Arg), 6-4, 6-4. Final: Ivanisevic bt Cherkasov, 6-2, 7-6.

BORDEAUX: Men's tournament: Quarter-finals: S Bruguera (Sp) bt T Enqvist (Swe), 6-1, 6-2 Semi-final: D Nargiso (It) bt M Rosset (Switz), 6-3, 6-4; Bruguera bt A Boetsch (Fr), 4-6, 6-4, 6-3 Final: Bruguera bt Nargiso, 7-5, 6-2.

SPEEDWAY

BRITISH LEAGUE: First division: Eastbourne 57, Ipswich 51; King's Lynn 69, Reading 39; Cradley Heath 58, Wolverhampton 52. Second division: Swindon 62, Newcastle 46.

SPEEDWAY STAR KNOCKOUT CUP: Semi-final, second leg: Bradford 61, Coventry 47 (agg: 115-101)

WRESTLING

STOCKHOLM: Greco-Roman world championships: Finals: Lightweight: I Duguchev (Russ) bt K Madzidov (Belo), 4-0. Light-fly: W Sanchez (Cuba) bt Z Gulijev (Russ), 5-0. Bantam: A Manukjan (Armenia) bt A Ignatenko (Russ), fall. Middle: M Yerlikaya (Tur) bt D Turlikhanov (Kaz), 6-2. Mid-heavy: M Ljunggren (Swe) bt I Chavchalov (Russ), 6-1 Fly: R Martinez (Cuba) bt A Nasanan (Armenia), 4-2 Feather: S Martynov (Russ) bt E Memet (Rom), 6-1. Welter: N Almanza (Cuba) bt J Tracz (Pol), 3-1. Light-heavy: G Kotchatchiel (Russ) bt M Bullmann (Ger), 5-3 Heavy: A Karelin (Russ) bt S Mureiko (Moldova), fall.

TRIATHLON

BATH: BUPA International: 1, C Montgomery (Can), 2hr 10min 20sec, 2, S Lessing (GB), 2:10:53; 3, H Carter (NZ), 2:12:23.

SHOOTING

BISLEY: Commonwealth Shooting Federation, European division championships: Rifle: Smallbore prone: Men: 1 T le Cornu (Jersey) 898.6; 2 D Baker (N Ire) 896.5; J Dugund (Eng), 894. Women: 1 S McIntosh (Scot) 592; 2 S Hartop (Wales), 584; 3 M Clayden (Jersey) 581. Fullbore (Queen's I and II). 1 A Clarke (Scot) 254.37; 2 A Tucker (Eng) 253.41, 3 A le Chemmant (Jer) 253.39. Fullbore (aggregate): 1 D Davies (Wales) 400.52/24 4; 2 G Barnett (Eng) 400.53/24.3; 3 M Baillie-Hamilton (Scot) 399.52. 300m: 1 D Calvert (N Ire) 587; 2 J Davis (Eng) 585; 3 A Campbell (Eng) 584 3 x 40 (men): 1 W Murray (Scot) 1,243 2: 2 T Langridge (Eng) 1,239; 3 Baker 1,233. 3 x 20 (women): 1 K Morton (Eng) 570; 2 S McIntosh (Scot) 570, 3 T Littlechild (Scot) 559. Air rifle (women): 1 D Lawrence (Eng) 388, 2 F Theofanos (Cyprus) 383; 3 L Boyce (Eng) 379.

Pistol: Rapid fire: 1 R Craven (Wales) 664. 2 P Clark (Eng) 654; 3 N Freeland (Eng) 651. Free pistol: 1 M Gault (Eng) 652; 2 M Kemp (Eng) 647; 3 P Leatherdale (Eng) 645. Sport pistol: Women: 1 C Page (Eng) 573), 2 C Benest (Jersey) 564, 3 J Wood (Eng) 562. Air pistol (women): 1 C Page (Eng) 377, 2 I Pantelli (Cyprus) 370: 3 L Elsworth (Eng) 368 Air pistol (men): 1 Gault 670.4; 2 Leatherdale 669.2, 3 A Wilkins (Eng) 668 5. Centre fire pistol: 1 Gault 584; 2 Craven 578, 3 T Armstrong (Eng) 573 Skeet: 1 C Courtellas (Cyprus) 138; 2 A Andreou (Cyprus) 138, 3 R Brickell (Eng) 134. Olympic trap: 1 P Davies (Wales) 144; 2 J Stratton (N Ire) 143, 3 D Marello (Scot) 142.

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FOOTBALL

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FA Carling Premiership

Wimbledon v Manchester City (8.0).

FA CUP: First qualifying round: Replay: Goole v Glossop North End Second replays: Chelmsford v Newmarket; Wembley v Stevenage Borough.

FA TROPHY: First qualifying round, replays: Curzon Ashton v Buxton; Purfleet v Sudbury Town

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Premier division: Hyde v Gainsborough (7 30). First division: Ashton U v Caernarfon, Guiseley v Spennymoor.

CARLING NORTH WEST COUNTIES: First division: Rossendale v St Helens

DIADORA LEAGUE: Cup: First round: Carshalton v Wivenhoe: Croydon v Thame

PONTINS LEAGUE: First division: Sheffield U v Leicester (7.0). Second division: Mansfield v Oldham (7 0): Preston v Bradford (7.0).

NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION: First division: Bristol City v Crystal Palace (7 30)

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE: First division: QPR v Tottenham League Cup. Arsenal v Bristol City: Bristol Rovers v Leyton Orient; Cambridge U v Brighton, Colchester v Millwall, Crystal Palace v Chelsea Luton v Charlton, Norwich v Brentford Oxford U v Fulham Reading v Gillingham; Southampton v Portsmouth. Swindon v Southend, West Ham v Bournemouth, Wimbledon v Ipswich

CRICKET

Britannic Assurance county championship

Final day of four

11 0

HARTLEPOOL: Durham v Somerset

CHELMSFORD: Essex v Hampshire

CANTERBURY: Kent v Glamorgan

OLD TRAFFORD: Lancashire v Northamptonshire

LEICESTER: Leicestershire v Derbyshire

TRENT BRIDGE: Nottinghamshire v Warwickshire

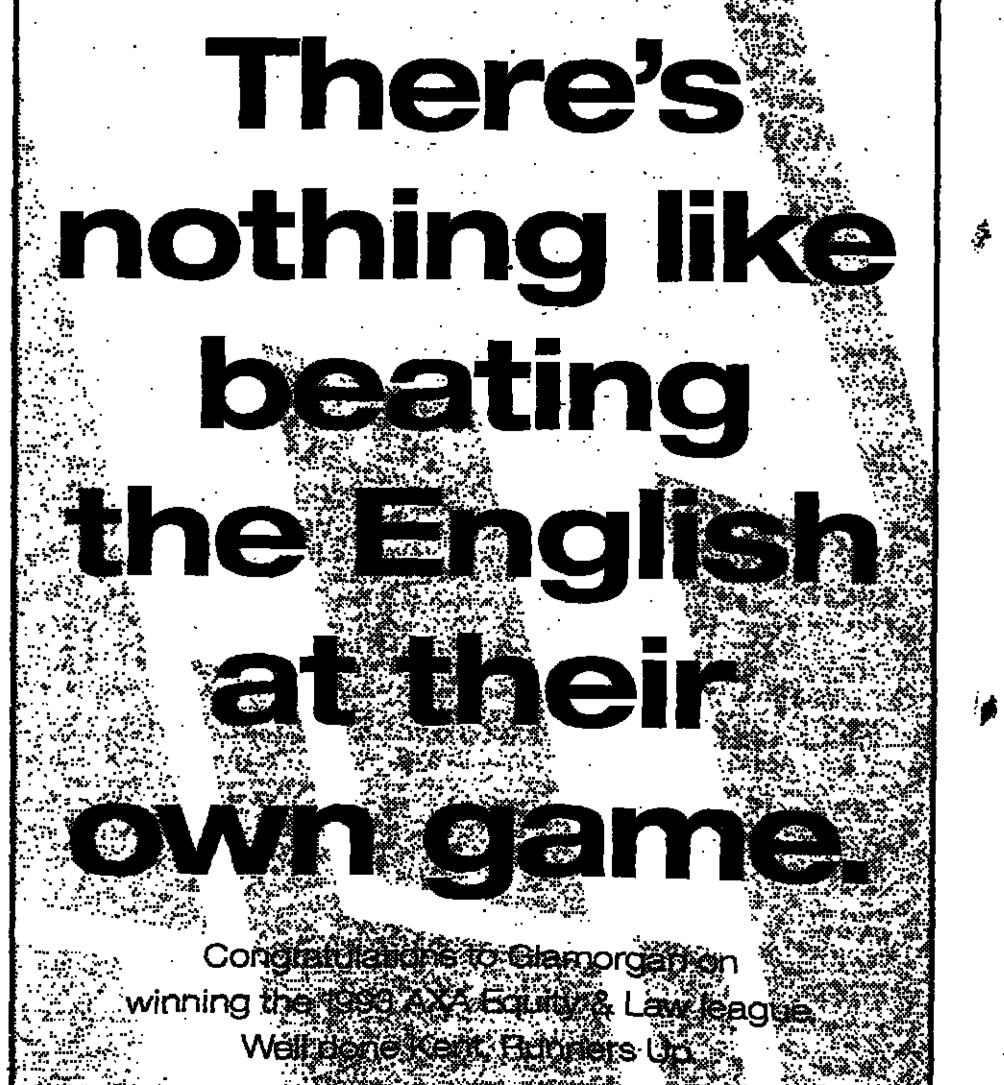
THE OVAL: Surrey v Yorkshire

HOVE: Sussex v Gloucestershire

OTHER SPORT

GOLF: Golf Foundation schools team championships (Lindrick)

SNOOKER: Regal Welsh Open qualifiers (Blackpool).



Lancashire appoint Lloyd as chief coach

By Michael Henderson

DAVID Lloyd was last night appointed chief coach of Lancashire after the resignation on Saturday of David Hughes as team manager. Lancashire will not replace Hughes, whose decision to go was interpreted as a selfless gesture, although it is fair to assume that it pre-empted any decision the committee would have made at yesterday's meeting.

Lloyd returned to Old Trafford this time last year, to work alongside Hughes. Next year he will have 18 days' leave to fulfil his broadcasting obligations with the BBC. The committee also decided that in future the selection subcomittee would include one member from its own body.

Hughes spent 27 seasons at Old Trafford. For five of them, from 1987, he was captain, Lancashire winning every competition except the championship in that time. In 1991, he became assistant manager to Alan Ormrod and when Ormrod was dismissed last August, Hughes was promoted.

Despite reaching the Benson and Hedges Cup final, which they lost to Derbyshire in a fractious match, Lancashire have not won a championship match since June 28, at Derby, after which Derbyshire sent the match ball with which Wasim Akram had bowled them out to the Test and Country Cricket Board.

The language Hughes employed was coloured by realism. "I accept there is a strong feeling within the club for an overhaul of the management structure. By resigning, I hope this will enable the committee to take decisions without my personal position being an issue."

Although Bob Bennett, the club chairman, thought Hughes's departure was "a sad day for Lancashire cricket", Lloyd's greater responsibility may quell the dissatisfaction among the club's membership: 100 members have signed a petition alleging no confidence in cricketing affairs, although the petition has not yet been presented.

Bennett must also discover in the next month whether Neil Fairbrother intends to remain captain. At this stage, the signs suggest he would like to do another year.

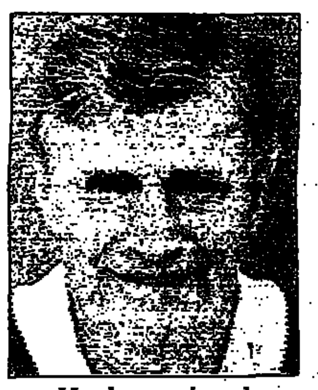
Meanwhile, at Old Trafford yesterday, Northamptonshire had to beat Lancashire if they were to have a prospect of reaping any prize-money. In years gone by, this would have been one of the hardest tasks in one-day cricket, for they had never won a limited-overs match there.

It was a different matter yesterday, given the resignation of Hughes the previous day, and all that had gone before. Northamptonshire won by five wickets, Curran scoring the winning run with one ball remaining.

At Trent Bridge, Randall was given the honour of leading out Nottinghamshire in his final appearance for them, an honour richly deserved, not merely for the 21 years he gave the club but for the support he has attracted.

Alas for him, Warwickshire were the opposition and, even at this stage of the season, there was nothing charitable about their cricket. They won by 160 runs with Randall, going in first wicket down, out for three.

□ Graham Lloyd, the Lancashire batsman, was yesterday fined £100 and warned about his future conduct. Lloyd, son of the Lancashire coach, David, was punished after a row with an Old Trafford member which flared up following his dismissal for 38 in Lancashire's first innings against Northamptonshire on Thursday.


Hughes: resigned

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Llong's dismissal delights Metson, of Glamorgan, in the decisive Sunday league game. Report, page 21

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Victory earns Surrey third place

By Ivo Tennant

THIS Sunday league season could hardly have begun in less propitious circumstances. When Middlesex, the defending champions, played Kent on the first day under the patronage of Axa Equity & Law, MCC members effectively boycotted the match. This was not cricket: coloured strips at Lord's surely was heralding the twilight of the game. The new sponsors could never have imagined that the season would end as it did at Canterbury yesterday.

There were other issues of placings and prize-money to be decided, too. At the Oval, Surrey beat Yorkshire by five wickets to ensure that they finished in third place, which is their highest position since the competition began in 1969 in the wake of the success of the Rothmans International Cavaliers. So something has come of their season.

The margin of victory would have been rather greater had Surrey's ground fielding matched their catching. Smith held four excellent catches but any number of runs were given away. Since Darren Bicknell was out in the first over of their innings, Brown had to bat in his customary forthright way, making 52 off 58 balls. Victory was attained with 15 balls remaining.

To gain fourth place, Sussex had to beat Gloucestershire at Hove, which they did chiefly through Stephenson making 81, his side's leading score, and taking three wickets for 30. Needing 225, Gloucestershire were bowled out with two overs remaining. So there was recompense of a kind for them, too, after being beaten in the NatWest Trophy final.

□ Derbyshire have offered John Morris a three-year contract. The former England batsman has been linked with Somerset and Warwickshire in the last week but Derbyshire have made it clear they want to keep him.

Kim Barnett, the Derbyshire captain, said: "We want him to stay with us. I am tired of reading about personality clashes between us because I have no worries about John. He can play for Derbyshire until he retires."

Morris, who is under contract for next season and has a two-year option after that, is recovering from a hernia operation which forced him to miss the final game of the season at Leicester.

□ Rain washed out the final day of the third and last Test between Sri Lanka and South Africa in Colombo yesterday. South Africa took the series by winning the second Test by an innings and 208 runs. The first Test was drawn. On Saturday, Sri Lanka were held by an unbeaten 73 by the South African vice-captain, Hansie Cronje, which took his side's second innings to 159 for four.

Chance to join adventure on high seas

TODAY, *The Times* presents a final opportunity for readers to apply for a place on Chay Blyth's Ocean Challenge 1996-7, the yacht race that offers amateurs the chance to sail round the world under the guidance of professional skippers.

More than 2,000 people have already applied for fewer than 150 places, each of which will cost the successful volunteer £18,750, but two have been reserved exclusively for readers of *The Times*, one for a woman and one for a man. We shall provide bursaries towards their cost and both successful applicants will be invited to report on the race for the newspaper.

Many applications have already been received at the Ocean Challenge office since the offer was first made last week. "The response has been fantastic," Blyth said yesterday. "We had people banging on our office door within hours of *The Times* publishing the offer last Monday. It just shows that there is a sense of adventure in all of us."

The race starts from England in September 1996 when a fleet of proven 67-foot yachts, all under the guidance of professional skippers, set off for Rio de Janeiro. Then the crews will head south to tackle Cape Horn and cross the southern ocean against prevailing winds to Hobart, Tasmania before reaching Sydney in January 1997.

From there, the fleet will head into the icy seas of the southern ocean on the 6,300 mile stage round the Cape of Good Hope to Cape Town and return to Britain via Boston in June.

The total distance is 30,000 miles, half of them through the most inhospitable waters of the world, and the voyage will take nine months. "That in essence is the challenge. For without hardship there is no sense of adventure," Blyth said. He should know. Blyth pioneered this course two decades ago when he became the first man to sail solo around the world agasint the prevailing winds and currents.

Anyone wishing to join the great adventure is complete the coupon (below) and return it by Friday, September 24, to the Ocean Challenge Offices at the address shown. All applications must be accompanied by a coupon. Photocopies are not acceptable. The only qualification needed is that volunteers should be aged between 21 and 60 at the time of the race.

The sacrifices the race requires are not merely financial. Each crew member will be expected to devote two weeks to training in the Atlantic or North Sea and there will be fitness and written tests. Before the race begins, each crew member will have completed at least 3,000 miles at sea.

"Sailing experience is not an essential requirement but commitment is," Blyth said. "We will teach everyone all they need to know about sailing during a comprehensive training programme over the next three years."

Join voyage of a lifetime

Readers of *The Times* can apply for a berth on the Ocean Challenge 1996-7 by completing this form using block capitals and sending it (photocopies will not be accepted) to Eve Robbins, Inmans House, 12 London Road, Sheet, Petersfield, Hampshire GU31 4BE by September 24.

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YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

Axa Equity & Law League

Lancashire v Northamptonshire

OLD TRAFFORD (*Northamptonshire won toss*): *Northamptonshire (4pts) beat Lancashire by five wickets*

LANCASHIRE
G D Lloyd b Curran 69
M A Atherton c Ripley b Bowen 12
J P Crawley c Lamb b Cook 29
*N H Fairbrother c Lamb b Cook 9
N J Speak not out 63
Wasim Akram c Warren b Cook 10
M Watkinson c Warren b Taylor 15
P A J DeFreitas c Ambrose b Bowen 5
I D Austin not out 20
Extras (b 2, lb 4, w 2, nb 6) 14
Total (7 wkts, 50 overs) 248
†W K Hegg and G Yates did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-48, 2-95, 3-120, 4-134, 5-183, 6-202, 7-212.
BOWLING: Ambrose 10-0-48-0; Bowen 10-1-57-2; Taylor 10-0-54-1; Curran 10-1-38-1; Cook 10-0-43-3.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
A Fordham c Lloyd b Austin 12
M B Loye c Lloyd b Yates 56
R J Bailey b Wasim 93
*A J Lamb c Hegg b Wasim 0
R J Warren c Atherton b Austin 56
K M Curran not out 9
†D Ripley not out 3
Extras (b 2, lb 3, w 3, nb 10) 18
Total (5 wkts, 49.5 overs) 247
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-29, 2-110, 3-110, 4-227, 5-237.
M N Bowen, C E L Ambrose, N G B Cook and J P Taylor did not bat.
BOWLING: DeFreitas 10-0-49-0; Austin 10-3-23-2; Watkinson 10-0-54-0; Wasim Akram 9.5-1-41-2; Yates 10-0-75-1.
Umpires: J C Balderstone and P B Wight.

Leicestershire v Derbyshire

LEICESTER (*Derbyshire won toss*): *Leicestershire (4pts) beat Derbyshire by 14 runs*

LEICESTERSHIRE
*J J Whitaker c and b Warner 10
P N Hepworth lbw b Mortensen 14
V J Wells c and b Vandrau 50
P E Robinson c Bowler b Mortensen 8
B F Smith not out 97
D L Maddy c Krikken b Vandrau 3
†P A Nixon lbw b Barnett 3
G J Parsons not out 37
Extras (b 1, lb 5, w 18) 24
Total (6 wkts, 50 overs) 246
A R K Pierson, M T Brimson and A Sheriyar did not bat
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-25, 2-27, 3-57, 4-109, 5-114, 6-134
BOWLING: Warner 10-0-59-1; Mortensen 10-1-20-2; Griffith 10-0-67-0, Vandrau 10-1-46-2, Barnett 6-0-27-1, Steer 4-1-21-0.

DERBYSHIRE
P D Bowler b Brimson 46
D G Cork c Maddy b Wells 21
T J G O'Gorman b Wells 39
*K J Barnett c Whitaker b Pierson 31
A S Rollins run out 3
I G S Steer c Smith b Parsons 19
M J Vandrau lbw b Parsons 30
A E Warner run out 10
F A Griffith not out 11
†K M Krikken run out 2
O H Mortensen c Hepworth b Wells 2
Extras (b 1, lb 8, w 7, nb 2) 18
Total (49.5 overs) 232
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-47, 2-91, 3-137, 4-149, 5-159, 6-200, 7-216, 8-218, 9-230
BOWLING: Parsons 10-0-41-2; Sheriyar 5-0-29-0; Wells 9.5-0-57-3; Brimson 10-2-28-1; Pierson 10-1-42-1, Hepworth 5-0-26-0.
Umpires: J W Holder and B J Meyer.

Essex v Hampshire

CHELMSFORD (*Hampshire won toss*). *Essex (4pts) beat Hampshire by 99 runs*

ESSEX
*P J Prichard c and b Thursfield 71
J P Stephenson not out 102
G A Gooch c Aymes b James 37
N Hussain c Terry b Thursfield 50
N Shahid run out 12
N V Knight not out 1
Extras (lb 5, w 9) 14
Total (4 wkts, 50 overs) 287
†R J Rollins, T D Topley, M C Ilott, P M Such and S J W Andrew did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-128, 2-195, 3-268, 4-284
BOWLING: Connor 10-2-37-0; Thursfield 10-0-50-2; James 10-1-50-1; Bovill 7-0-55-0; Udal 9-0-66-0; Nicholas 4-0-24-0.

HAMPSHIRE
T C Middleton b Such 33
V P Terry c Rollins b Ilott 2
R M F Cox c Rollins b Ilott 10
*M C J Nicholas c Stephenson b Topley 18
J S Laney c Knight b Such 12
K D James st Rollins b Such 11
†A N Aymes c Topley b Knight 44
S D Udal b Such 16
C A Connor c Prichard b Such 2
M J Thursfield c and b Gooch 4
J N B Bovill not out 7
Extras (lb 10, w 7, nb 12) 29
Total (49 overs) 188
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-5, 2-45, 3-82, 4-90, 5-106, 6-110, 7-145, 8-153, 9-168
BOWLING: Andrew 7-0-36-0; Ilott 6-1-15-2; Topley 10-1-32-1; Stephenson 10-1-33-0; Such 10-0-33-5; Gooch 3-0-15-1; Knight 3-0-14-1.
Umpires: J H Hampshire and G Sharp

Surrey v Yorkshire

THE OVAL (*Surrey won toss*): *Surrey (4pts) beat Yorkshire by five wickets*

YORKSHIRE
*M D Moxon c Smith b Butcher 3
D Byas c Brown b Murphy 0
R J Blakey c Smith b Hollioake 41
R B Richardson c Ward b Murphy 1
M J Foster c Brown b Murphy 7
C White c Waqar b Boiling 41
A P Grayson c Smith b Hollioake 38
P J Hartley c Stewart b Waqar 15
†C A Chapman not out 22
D Gough b Hollioake 8
M A Robinson c Smith b Hollioake 0
Extras (lb 6, w 5) 11
Total (49.5 overs) 186
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-3, 2-3, 3-14, 4-38, 5-87, 6-117, 7-144, 8-162, 98185.
BOWLING: Murphy 10-1-38-3; Butcher 10-4-34-1; Waqar Younis 10-0-34-1; Hollioake 9.5-1-42-4; Boiling 10-0-33-1.

SURREY
D J Bicknell c Byas b Hartley 4
A D Brown run out 52
*†A J Stewart c Moxon b Grayson 35
G P Thorpe c Chapman b Gough 16
D M Ward b Foster 24
A W Smith not out 30
A J Hollioake not out 21
Extras (b 1, lb 4, w 1) 6
Total (5 wkts, 47.3 overs) 188
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4, 2-91, 3-96, 4-122, 5-146.
M A Butcher, Waqar Younis, J Boiling and A J Murphy did not bat.
BOWLING: Hartley 9-2-41-1; Gough 10-2-27-1; Robinson 10-1-35-0; White 7.3-1-37-0, Grayson 8-0-23-1; Foster 5-0-20-1.
Umpires: J H Harris and R Palmer.

Sussex v Gloucestershire

HOVE (*Gloucestershire won toss*): *Sussex (4pts) beat Gloucestershire by 32 runs*

SUSSEX
N J Lenham run out 12
F D Stephenson c and b Ball 81
M P Speight c Ball b Smith 12
*A P Wells run out 15
K Greenfield run out 18
C W J Athey st Russell b Ball 0
†P Moores b Walsh 48
C C Remy run out 0
I D K Salisbury lbw b Walsh 13
E E Hemmings not out 4
E S H Giddins b Walsh 0
Extras (b 1, lb 4, w 2, nb 14) 21
Total (49.3 overs) 224
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-24, 2-48, 3-81, 4-145, 5-146, 6-169, 7-172, 8-213, 9-224.
BOWLING: Smith 10-1-52-1; Walsh 9.3-1-33-3; Williams 10-0-51-0; Alleyne 8-0-46-0; Ball 10-0-30-2; Hancock 2-0-7-0.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE
S G Hinks b Giddins 60
A J Wright c Moores b Giddins 2
M G N Windows b Stephenson 6
M W Alleyne c Athey b Hemmings 8
T H C Hancock c Speight b Salisbury 46
R J Cunliffe c Hemmings b Stephenson 22
†R C Russell c Giddins b Salisbury 3
*C A Walsh b Stephenson 18
R C Williams b Giddins 4
M C J Ball not out 10
A M Smith b Giddins 3
Extras (lb 9, w 1, nb 2) 12
Total (47.1 overs) 192
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 2-31, 3-58, 4-124, 5-141, 6-149, 7-171, 8-174, 9-186.
BOWLING: Stephenson 9-3-30-3; Giddins 8.1-1-36-4; Hemmings 10-0-44-1; Remy 6-1-26-0; Salisbury 10-1-28-2; Greenfield 4-0-17-0.
Umpires: K E Palmer and P Willey.

Worcestershire v Middlesex

WORCESTER (*Worcestershire won toss*). *Middlesex (4pts) beat Worcestershire by six wickets*

WORCESTERSHIRE
W P C Weston c Brown b Fraser 2
K R Spiring c Gatting b Taylor 7
G A Hick c Tufnell b Johnson 17
G R Haynes b Weekes 48
V S Solanki c Taylor b Tufnell 22
M J Weston c Brown b Johnson 42
*†S J Rhodes c Fraser b Johnson 15
S R Lampitt c Roseberry b Fraser 5
N V Radford c Brown b Johnson 22
R K Illingworth run out 6
P J Newport not out 0
Extras (lb 2, w 7, nb 2) 11
Total (49.3 overs) 197
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-5, 2-15, 3-35, 4-92, 5-109, 6-146, 7-162, 8-184, 9-195.
BOWLING: Fraser 10-2-31-2; Taylor 9.3-2-24-1; Johnson 10-0-66-4; Tufnell 10-0-34-1; Weekes 10-0-40-1.

MIDDLESEX
M A Roseberry b Haynes 20
T A Radford c and b Illingworth 38
M R Ramprakash c and b Illingworth 63
P N Weekes st Rhodes b Hick 3
*J D Carr not out 38
†K R Brown not out 23
Extras (b 2, lb 5, w 7) 14
Total (4 wkts, 49.4 overs) 199
M W Gatting, C W Taylor, R L Johnson, A R C Fraser and P C R Tufnell did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-22, 2-101, 3-128, 4-147.
BOWLING: Haynes 10-2-32-1; Newport 10-1-35-0; Lampitt 5-0-29-0; Radford 7.4-0-36-0; Illingworth 10-0-26-2; Hick 4-0-17-1; M J Weston 3-0-17-0.
Umpires: H D Bird and G I Burgess.

Durham v Somerset

HARTLEPOOL (*Durham won toss*): *Durham (4pts) beat Somerset by seven wickets*

SOMERSET
M N Lathwell c and b Hughes 5
G W White c Brown b Graveney 40
N A Folland c Hutton b Brown 6
*R J Harden b Brown 0
G D Rose b Smith 30
†R J Turner c Parker b Smith 7
Mushtaq Ahmed lbw b Smith 2
N A Mallender not out 31
A R Caddick not out 36
Extras (lb 3, w 4) 7
Total (7 wkts, 50 overs) 164
H R J Trump and A P van Troost did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-14, 2-32, 3-32, 4-72, 5-87, 6-89, 7-100.
BOWLING: Hughes 10-1-31-1; Cummins 10-1-41-0; Brown 10-2-25-2; Graveney 10-2-25-1; Smith 10-0-39-3.

DURHAM
G Fowler c Folland b Mallender 15
W Larkins c Folland b Rose 52
I Smith c Harden b Trump 25
S Hutton not out 38
P W G Parker not out 28
Extras (lb 3, w 1, nb 6) 10
Total (3 wkts, 35 overs) 168
D A Blenkiron, A C Cummins, *D A Graveney, †A R Fothergill, S P Hughes and S J E Brown did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-24, 2-72, 3-112
BOWLING: Mallender 6-0-32-1; Caddick 5-0-32-0; van Troost 4-0-20-0; Rose 4-1-13-1; Trump 8-3-15-1; Mushtaq Ahmed 6-0-38-0; Lathwell 2-0-15-0.
Umpires: B Leadbeater and N T Plews.

Nottinghamshire v Warwickshire

TRENT BRIDGE (*Warwickshire won toss*): *Warwickshire (4pts) beat Nottinghamshire by 160 runs*

WARWICKSHIRE
A Dean b Pennett 17
†M Burns c Cairns b Pick 28
D P Ostler b Bates 53
P A Smith c French b Pennett 46
Asif Din b Bates 60
R G Twose c Johnson b Pennett 0
*D A Reeve lbw b Cairns 22
T L Penney c Johnson b Lewis 17
N M K Smith not out 12
M A V Bell c Pick b Cairns 6
Extras (b 5, lb 6, w 4, nb 2) 17
Total (9 wkts, 50 overs) 278
T A Munton did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-33, 2-82, 3-118, 4-213, 5-215, 6-215, 7-251, 8-262, 9-276
BOWLING: Pick 10-1-61-1; Lewis 10-1-39-1; Cairns 10-0-55-2; Pennett 10-0-32-3. Bates 10-1-78-2

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE
P R Pollard c Asif Din b Reeve 12
P Johnson c Burns b Bell 47
*D W Randall lbw b Munton 3
M Saxelby b Burns b N M K Smith 23
C L Cairns c Twose b Bell 7
M P Dowman b Bell 2
C C Lewis not out 6
R T Bates c Ostler b Bell 1
†B N French c Burns b Bell 0
R A Pick st Burns b N M K Smith 2
D B Pennett c Penney b N M K Smith 0
Extras (lb 7, w 2, nb 4) 13
Total (28 overs) 116
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-20, 2-42, 3-95, 4-99, 5-106, 6-107, 7-109, 8-113, 9-116
BOWLING: Reeve 7-1-30-1; Munton 8-0-48-1; Bell 7-1-21-5; N M K Smith 6-0-10-3
Umpires: A A Jones and B Dudleston

Test match

Sri Lanka v South Africa

COLOMBO (*final day of five*): *No play yesterday. Sri Lanka drew with South Africa*
South Africa win series 1-0

SOUTH AFRICA: First Innings 316 (D Cullinan 102)

Second Innings
*K C Wessels c Mahanama b Hathurusinghe 7
A C Hudson b Ramanayake 28
W J Cronje not out 73
D J Cullinan c sub b Dharmasena 4
J N Rhodes b Muralitharan 19
B M McMillan not out 0
Extras (b 4, lb 17, nb 7) 28
Total (4 wkts) 159
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-11, 2-58, 3-65, 4-159
BOWLING: Ramanayake 10-1-26-1; Hathurusinghe 8-4-7-1; Liyanage 4-1-17-0, Muralitharan 15-3-39-1, Dharmasena 18-8-29-1; Jayasuriya 3-1-17-0; de Silva 3-1-3-0

SRI LANKA: First Innings
R S Mahanama c McMillan b Schultz 25
U C Hathurusinghe c Richardson b Donald 1
†P B Dassanayake run out 8
P A De Silva lbw b Symcox 82
*A Ranatunga c Richardson b Schultz 50
H P Tillekeratne c Richardson b Schultz 37
S T Jayasuriya c Cronje b Schultz 65
K Dharmasena c Richardson b Schultz 5
D Liyanage b Donald 0
H C P Ramanayake not out 0
Extras (b 7, lb 9, nb 7) 23
Total (9 wkts dec) 296
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1, 2-27, 3-55, 4-156, 5-202, 6-263, 7-273, 8-294, 9-296.
M D Muralitharan did not bat.
BOWLING: Donald 30-12-62-2; Schultz 36.5-9-63-5; McMillan 30-8-64-0; Snell 25-8-44-0; Symcox 18-5-47-1.
Umpires: B Aldridge and B C Cooray.

SATURDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

Britannic Assurance county championship

Sussex v Gloucestershire

HOVE (*third day of four*): *Gloucestershire, with two second-innings wickets in hand, are 126 runs ahead of Sussex*

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings 304 (S G Hinks 68; I D K Salisbury 5 for 81)

Second Innings
B C Broad b Hemmings 26
S G Hinks c Moores b Hemmings 16
R I Dawson c Moores b Hemmings 24
M W Alleyne c Speight b Salisbury 0
T H C Hancock c Moores b Salisbury 1
M G N Windows lbw b Law 37
†R C Russell not out 28
M C J Ball c and b Salisbury 4
*C A Walsh c Wells b Salisbury 10
K E Cooper not out 2
Extras (b 7, lb 4, nb 18) 28
Total (8 wkts) 177
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-33, 2-78, 3-83, 4-102, 5-116, 6-150, 7-155, 8-169.
BOWLING: Stephenson 7-2-14-0; Hemmings 29-11-46-3; Salisbury 28-4-99-4, Law 4-1-7-1

SUSSEX: First Innings
N J Lenham lbw b Babington 105
C W J Athey lbw b Walsh 9
D M Smith c Broad b Alleyne 35
*A P Wells c Cooper b Walsh 29
M P Speight c Hinks b Alleyne 114
I D K Salisbury c Ball b Cooper 13
C C Remy c Russell b Cooper 0
†P Moores c Russell b Cooper 24
F D Stephenson c Russell b Cooper 4
D R Law b Alleyne 11
E E Hemmings not out 1
Extras (lb 8, nb 2) 10
Total (97.3 overs) 355
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-25, 2-93, 3-155, 4-190, 5-229, 6-229, 7-291, 8-303, 9-346.
BOWLING: Walsh 21-1-72-2; Cooper 26-6-93-4; Ball 23-3-96-0, Babington 16-4-42-1; Alleyne 9.3-2-33-3; Hancock 2-0-11-0
Bonus points: Sussex 8, Gloucestershire 7
Umpires: K E Palmer and P Willey

Durham v Somerset

HARTLEPOOL (*third day of four*): *Durham, with eight second-innings wickets in hand, are 74 runs behind Somerset*

SOMERSET: First Innings
M N Lathwell b Betts 30
A N Hayhurst st Fothergill b Bainbridge 37
N A Folland c Fowler b Bainbridge 28
*R J Harden c Brown b Graveney 100
I Fletcher c and b Graveney 2
†R J Turner b Cummins 34
G D Rose c Larkins b Cummins 83
Mushtaq Ahmed run out 0
N A Mallender c Fothergill b Cummins 5
A R Caddick st Fothergill b Graveney 6
A P van Troost not out 0
Extras (b 6, lb 8, w 1, nb 12) 27
Total (119.3 overs) 352
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-50, 2-99, 3-102, 4-107, 5-207, 6-312, 7-312, 8-331, 9-348
BOWLING: Cummins 22.3-3-58-3; Brown 28-1-120-0; Betts 8-1-19-1; Graveney 47-12-105-3; Bainbridge 9-4-10-2; Parker 7-0-26-0.

DURHAM: First Innings
G Fowler c Turner b Caddick 14
W Larkins c Mushtaq b Caddick 4
P W G Parker c Rose b Caddick 0
S Hutton c Turner b Mallender 4
J A Daley b Mushtaq 73
P Bainbridge c Mushtaq b Caddick 0
A C Cummins c Turner b Caddick 4
†A R Fothergill c Hayhurst b Mallender 28
*D A Graveney c Turner b van Troost 13
S J E Brown c Turner b Caddick 9
M M Betts not out 0
Extras (b 2, lb 5, w 1, nb 36) 44
Total (50.2 overs) 194
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-5, 2-5, 3-14, 4-48, 5-48, 6-66, 7-127, 8-146, 9-190
BOWLING: Caddick 19.2-4-73-6; Mallender 11-4-24-2; Mushtaq Ahmed 14-5-32-1; van Troost 6-0-58-1.

Second Innings
G Fowler c Lathwell b Mushtaq 19
W Larkins lbw b Rose 17
P W G Parker not out 34
S J E Brown not out 0
Extras (b 2, lb 1, w 1, nb 10) 14
Total (2 wkts) 84
FALL OF WICKETS 1-20, 2-80
BOWLING Caddick 6-2-18-0; Rose 7-0-19-1; Mallender 7-1-14-0, Mushtaq Ahmed 8-2-13-1; van Troost 3-0-17-0
Bonus points: Durham 4, Somerset 8.
Umpires B Leadbeater and N T Plews.

Essex v Hampshire

CHELMSFORD (*third day of four*) *Hampshire, with eight second-innings wickets in hand, are 229 runs ahead of Essex*

HAMPSHIRE: First Innings 347 (D I Gower 134, P M Such 5 for 85, J H Childs 4 for 89)

Second Innings
V P Terry b Ilott 87
T C Middleton c Shahid b Such 16
K D James not out 41
D I Gower not out 3
Extras (lb 1, nb 2) 3
Total (2 wkts) 150
FALL OF WICKETS. 1-33, 2-134.
BOWLING: Ilott 9-4-18-1; Andrew 9-0-29-0; Childs 14-3-59-0. Such 12-3-34-1: Stephenson 1-0-9-0.

ESSEX: First Innings
P J Prichard c Aymes b Bovill 4
J P Stephenson lbw b Bovill 5
J J B Lewis c Aymes b Udal 13
N Hussain c Middleton b James 102
N Shahid lbw b Udal 3
*G A Gooch lbw b Udal 109
†R J Rollins lbw b James 0
M C Ilott c Gower b Udal 8
P M Such c Aymes b James 4
S J W Andrew not out 5
J H Childs run out 0
Extras (b 2, lb 6, w 1, nb 6) 15
Total (86.1 overs) 268
FALL OF WICKETS. 1-8, 2-13, 3-48, 4-52, 5-191, 6-191, 7-213, 8-230, 9-268.
BOWLING Shine 12-1-41-0. Bovill 13-5-32-2. Flint 22-3-57-0; Udal 21.1-4-77-4; James 18-5-53-3.
Bonus points Essex 6, Hampshire 7
Umpires J H Hampshire and G Sharp.

Lancashire v Northamptonshire

OLD TRAFFORD (*third day of four*). *Northamptonshire, with nine second-innings wickets in hand, need 415 runs to beat Lancashire*

LANCASHIRE: First Innings 277 (N H Fairbrother 110, M Watkinson c Fordham b Taylor 67, A A Barnett b Taylor 0, C E L Ambrose 25-4-86-4, J P Taylor 18.5-4-82-6)

Second Innings
M A Atherton c Ripley b Ambrose 4
J P Crawley c and b Roberts 103
N J Speak run out 27
*N H Fairbrother b Curran 4
G Yates not out 134
G D Lloyd lbw b Curran 7
M Watkinson b Roberts 45
Wasim Akram b Taylor 30
P A J DeFreitas st Ripley b Bailey 24
†W K Hegg not out 3
Extras (b 2, lb 3, nb 6) 11
Total (8 wkts dec) 392
FALL OF WICKETS. 1-4, 2-56, 3-61, 4-204, 5-220, 6-294, 7-343, 8-385
BOWLING: Ambrose 27-2-77-1. Taylor 25-8-70-1; Roberts 36-3-124-2; Curran 24-7-72-2; Bailey 14-1-44-1

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings 240 (A J Lamb 67, R J Bailey 55, Wasim Akram 5-63)

Second Innings
A Fordham c Lloyd b Wasim 6
N A Felton not out 4
A R Roberts not out 3
Extras (lb 2) 2
Total (1 wkt) 15
FALL OF WICKET 1-10.
BOWLING. Wasim Akram 4-1-9-1, DeFreitas 1-0-3-0: Barnett 2-1-1-0.
Bonus points: Lancashire 6, Northamptonshire 5.
Umpires P W Wight and J C Balderstone

Kent v Glamorgan

CANTERBURY (*third day of four*) *Glamorgan, with eight second-innings wickets in hand, need 469 runs to beat Kent*

KENT: First Innings
D P Fulton b Watkin 0
T R Ward c sub b Bastien 137
G R Cowdrey c Hemp b Watkin 0
C L Hooper not out 187
N J Llong c sub b Lefebvre 62
M V Fleming c Metson b Lefebvre 0
*†S A Marsh c Croft b Bastien 21
M A Ealham not out 50
Extras (lb 13, w 1, nb 4) 18
Total (6 wkts dec, 117.3 overs) 524
D W Headley, A P Igglesden and M M Patel did not bat
FALL OF WICKETS. 1-0, 2-0, 3-229, 4-400, 5-402, 6-447
BOWLING Watkin 26.3-2-126-2; Bastien 30-5-115-2. Lefebvre 35-3-106-2: Croft 18-1-91-0; Dale 8-0-73-0.

Second Innings
D P Fulton b Dale 1
M V Fleming not out 81
G R Cowdrey st Metson b Croft 9
D W Headley not out 4
Extras 0
Total (2 wkts dec) 95
FALL OF WICKETS 1-23 2-78
BOWLING Bastien 4-1-30-0, Dale 10-1-43-1; Croft 4-1-15-1; Richards 2-0-7-0.

GLAMORGAN: First Innings
A Dale c Ward b Igglesden 0
*H Morris b Headley 1
P A Cottey b Headley 79
I V A Richards c Marsh b Ealham 17
D L Hemp c and b Ealham 13
R D B Croft c Headley b Ealham 0
†C P Metson c Ward b Headley 5
R P Lefebvre c Llong b Patel 4
S L Watkin c Headley b Igglesden 13
S Bastien not out 5
M P Maynard absent hurt 0
Extras (lb 1, nb 6) 7
Total (46 overs) 144
FALL OF WICKETS 1-0, 2-5, 3-56, 4-84, 5-88, 6-119, 7-126, 8-126, 9-144
BOWLING: Igglesden 9-2-27-2; Headley 15-6-29-3; Fleming 10-1-41-0, Ealham 9-1-31-3; Patel 3-0-15-1

Second Innings
A Dale b Igglesden 2
H Morris c Marsh b Headley 0
C P Metson not out 0
P A Cottey not out 1
Extras (lb 2, nb 2) 4
Total (2 wkts) 7
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4, 2-4
BOWLING: Igglesden 5-2-2-1, Headley 2-1-3-1.
Bonus points Kent 8, Glamorgan 2.
Umpires: D J Constant and G A Stickley.

Leicestershire v Derbyshire

LEICESTER (*third day of four; Leicestershire won toss*): *Leicestershire, with six first-innings wickets in hand, are 85 runs behind Derbyshire*

DERBYSHIRE: First Innings
*K J Barnett c Wells b Millns 4
M J Vandrau b Mullally 18
T J G O'Gorman c Whitaker b Parsons 11
A S Rollins c Boon b Wells 37
I G S Steer c Parsons b Pierson 67
D G Cork c Nixon b Parsons 13
F A Griffith c Wells b Mullally 5
†K M Krikken c Pierson b Parsons 12
A E Warner lbw b Millns 14
S J Base c Parsons b Millns 11
O H Mortensen not out 3
Extras (b 2, lb 13, w 3) 18
Total (66.3 overs) 213
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 2-23, 3-59, 4-91, 5-116, 6-125, 7-172, 8-196, 9-198.
BOWLING. Millns 16.3-2-57-2; Mullally 19-3-62-3; Parsons 14-2-35-3; Wells 9-4-24-1; Pierson 8-1-20-1.

LEICESTERSHIRE: First Innings
T J Boon lbw b Base 7
P N Hepworth lbw b Base 50
*J J Whitaker b Base 18
V J Wells lbw b Base 25
P E Robinson not out 11
Extras (nb 17) 7
Total (4 wkts, 34 overs) 128
B F Smith, †P A Nixon, G J Parsons, A R K Pierson, D J Millns and A D Mullally to bat
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-41, 2-76, 3-87, 4-128
BOWLING. Mortensen 11-4-38-0; Warner 5-0-19-0; Base 12-2-35-4, Griffith 6-0-36-0.
Bonus points: Leics 4, Derbyshire 2
Umpires: J W Holder and B J Meyer

Nottinghamshire v Warwickshire

TRENT BRIDGE (*third day of four, Nottinghamshire won toss*), *Warwickshire, have scored 172 for two wickets against Nottinghamshire*

WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings
A J Moles not out 54
J D Ratcliffe run out 26
D P Ostler c Pick b Cairns 19
T L Penney not out 46
Extras (lb 2, w 1, nb 24) 27
Total (2 wkts, 50 overs) 172
*D A Reeve, Asif Din, N M K Smith, †K J Piper, G C Small, M A V Bell and T A Munton to bat
FALL OF WICKETS. 1-39, 2-82.
BOWLING. Lewis 14-6-22-0, Pick 9-1-31-0, Pennett 11-0-41-0; Cairns 11-1-58-1. Bates 5-2-18-0.
NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: P R Pollard, W A Dessaur, M Saxelby, P Johnson, *R T Robinson, C L Cairns, C C Lewis, †B N French, R T Bates, R A Pick and D B Pennett.
Bonus points Nottinghamshire 0, Warwickshire 0.

Surrey v Yorkshire

THE OVAL (*third day of four; Yorkshire won toss*) *Yorkshire, with all first-innings wickets in hand, are 329 runs behind Surrey*

SURREY: First Innings
D J Bicknell lbw b Hartley 25
D M Ward lbw b Gough 0
G P Thorpe b Batty 60
*†A J Stewart c Moxon b Hartley 58
A D Brown lbw b Robinson 26
A W Smith lbw b Gough 11
A J Hollioake c Grayson b Gough 85
M A Butcher not out 66
Extras (lb 9, w 1, nb 18) 28
Total (7 wkts dec, 100.2 overs) 359
J Boiling, Waqar Younis and A J Murphy did not bat.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4, 2-51, 3-121, 4-174, 5-195, 6-224, 7-359.
BOWLING. Hartley 18-2-78-2; Gough 19.2-4-70-3, Robinson 21-3-81-1; Batty 25-6-83-1; Carrick 17-6-38-0

YORKSHIRE: First Innings
P Carrick not out 14
D Byas not out 8
Extras (nb 8) 8
Total (no wkt, 6 overs) 30
*M D Moxon, A P Grayson, R B Richardson, C White, †R J Blakey, P J Hartley, D Gough, J D Batty and M A Robinson to bat.
BOWLING: Murphy 2-2-0-0; Butcher 2-0-3-0, Brown 1-0-6-0, Bicknell 1-0-21-0
Bonus points: Surrey 4, Yorkshire 3
Umpires: J H Harris and R Palmer.

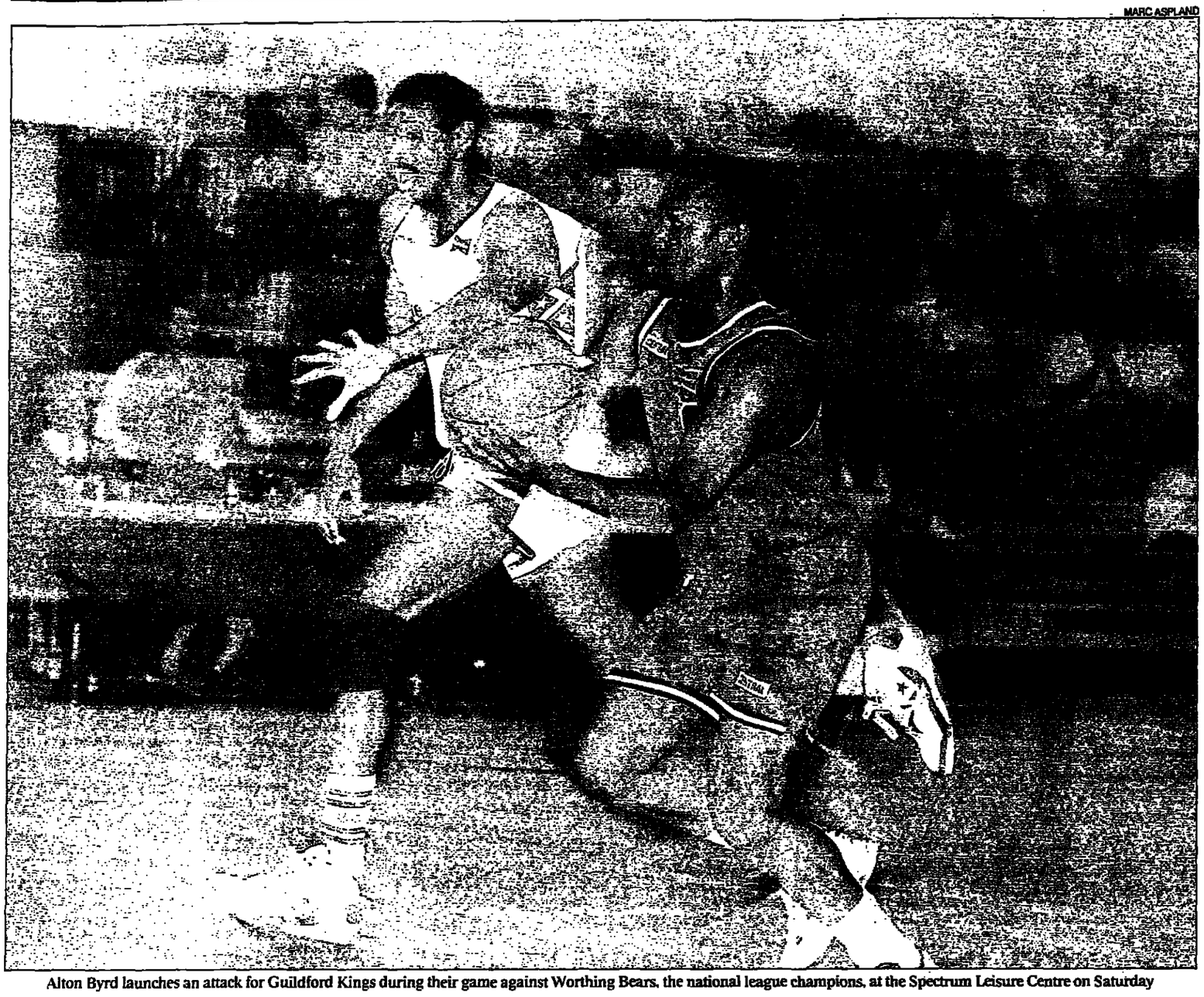
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Worcestershire v Middlesex

WORCESTER: Middlesex 68 (P J Newport 4-20) and 148 (J D Carr 67; N V Radford 6-49). Worcestershire 252 (P C R Tufnell 4-40). Worcestershire (22pts) beat Middlesex (4) by an innings and 36 runs

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MARC ASPLAND



Alton Byrd launches an attack for Guildford Kings during their game against Worthing Bears, the national league champions, at the Spectrum Leisure Centre on Saturday

Basketball chasing an elusive tomorrow



Andrew Longmore takes a look at a game that dreams of acceptance in the big league of British sport

It has been a good few days for the Guildford Kings. Last Thursday, they completed a first-round victory over Kiev in the European Cup: on Saturday, they opened their league season by beating the champions, Worthing Bears, by 13 points. Next week, their players might even get paid.

The dreams of a breakthrough for British basketball, revived once again by a new £1 million sponsorship from Budweiser, are still tinged by financial reality 15 years after the first basketball explosion had proved more blip than boom. Most players live from hand to mouth, most clubs lose money and survive on the belief that, in this sport, tomorrow will come one day.

A fortnight before the season began, the Kings had no home and no sponsor. Now, at least, they have a home, but until they find a backer, the shortfall between the receipts from home gates of £100 and running expenses will continue to be met by Martin Clark and Barry Dow, the co-owners of the team.

"This is not a profitable business at the moment," Dow said. "But basketball is on the up. I know it is not the first time that has been said. The difference is that the sport is well run now. We know we have the right product, it just needs investment and time."

So, of course, do all minority sports. But, this time, there are some rocks amid the grains of sand on which basketball has so far laid its foundations. Not only has Budweiser put its muscle behind the effort, the National Basketball Association in America are at last taking an interest in promoting the game in the one European country that has so far resisted its charms.

At the end of October, the mighty figure of Shaquille O'Neal, basketball's latest superstar, will lead Orlando Magic against Atlanta in the first exhibition game organised by the NBA in Britain, and a concerted campaign to sell NBA merchandise will surely follow. There are dollars to be made here.

Whether that will be enough to transform street credibility into a strong, financially stable professional league is open to doubt. But other factors suggest that the leap must be made in the next five years or not at all.

Despite recent backing from the Sports Council, basketball has been held back by the traditional problems of minority sports. Not enough coaches or facilities, no base in the schools or clubs, too little publicity. The structure is improving, but the game is still sustained largely by an instinctive and haphazard popularity promoted by satellite television and by the enthusiasm of individuals. In Whitechapel, the success of the East London Royals has shown what can be done on limited resources and unlimited spirit. They are the Liverpool of junior basketball, a club of 80 youths with four teams run by Humphrey Long, the former coach of the England Under-17 side. Twenty years ago, he wrote an article full of optimism for the future of basketball in Britain. Now he is older and wiser.

He said: "I'm not sure much has changed really. Fortunes have ebbed and flowed, but when you match it up with other sports, the kids can't see an escalator to the top. Until there are more PE teachers able to teach basketball and more clubs able to look after ten-year-olds as well as their professionals, I can't see a way forward. In the end, basketball is not part of the culture."

In Birmingham, a concentrated effort to change that culture, which has included players serving behind the counter in McDonalds to promote the team, will be put to the test next weekend when the Bullets play their first home game at the National Indoor Arena. The Bullets are the first league team to move from the limited capacity of a leisure centre to a big arena, and the future of professional basketball in England could depend on the marketing skills and irrepressible spirit of the team's owner, Harry Wrublewski. If he fails, others will be frightened off.

As an Australian of Polish extraction living in England, Wrublewski should know all about culture changes. Having helped to make basketball a major sport in Australia in five years, he is confident he can do so in Britain.

"It was getting access to the kids that unlocked it for us," he said. "We sent players into the schools and started development programmes so that the game had a foundation. We weren't totally reliant on the next television contract for survival. Young kids are open to new sports and basketball fits well into their psyche. It's lively, entertaining, it's not frustrating. We're not saying we can compete with football. We are saying people can follow both."

When the punters roll up, what will they find? At Guildford, lots of loud music, topshot contests, gorillas, rabbits, bears and dancing girls. Spectator participation is obligatory, though the standard of the basketball does not always warrant it. Like most teams, the Kings are a mixture, the best that a salary ceiling of £72,000 a season will allow.

Some are still good players, others show glimpses that they once were, the rest try hard. The result is Beazer Homes to the NBA's Premier League and, according to many, it will remain so until the salary cap, imposed four years ago to reduce costs, is raised or lifted altogether. That is unrealistic until more money is found and crowds grow. "We want stockbrokers to get out of their pin-stripes and come and have some fun," Dow added. The sport will not fail for lack of optimism.

SPORT IN BRIEF

Montgomery first in battle of sexes

CAROL Montgomery, of Canada, was the winner of the controversial Bath international triathlon yesterday, where the battle of the sexes was fought out with the men conceding a 15min 22sec handicap. Montgomery took the £2,000 first prize after she finished the event — involving a 1,500-metre swim in the Avon, a 40-kilometre bike ride and 10-kilometre run — 33 seconds ahead of Simon Lessing, the 1992 world champion.

Unlike the men, Montgomery had nobody to pace her through the swim and had a lonely cycle ride, with Lessing, and Hamish Carter, of New Zealand, the silver and bronze medal-winners at the recent world championships in Manchester, chasing her. But Montgomery is one of the best women triathlon runners. "I was looking for four minutes' lead off the bike," she said, "and 3min 25sec was too close. It certainly made me run to the line." Six other women finished among the prize-money in the top 20 places.

Saunders in top form

BASKETBALL: Russ Saunders, the American playmaker, scored 32 points to help Sunderland to a 77-75 victory over Birmingham in the opening Budweiser League fixture on Friday (Nicholas Harling writes). He followed up with 37 more at the Sobell Centre against London Towers the next evening but Towers recovered from an 11-0 burst against them, instigated by Saunders, to counter with a 13-0 sequence, which inspired Joel Moore (23 points) to lead the hosts to an 85-72 success.

Newly promoted Doncaster won 98-82 at Hemel Hempstead, 21 points coming from the American, Karl Mitchell, but Oldham face hard times on the evidence of their capitulation, 102-64, at home to Thames Valley Tigers.

Devils have to dig deep

ICE HOCKEY: Cardiff Devils, the holders, fought a successful rearguard action to beat Basingstoke Beavers as the second season of the Benson and Hedges Cup got under way on Saturday (Norman de Mesquita writes). Cardiff trailed 3-1 but hit back determinedly to win 6-5, giving every indication that they will be difficult to beat again this season. Slough Jets beat Romford Raiders 11-10 with five goals coming in less than two minutes in the second period. Nottingham Panthers ran up the day's highest score, beating Peterborough Pirates 15-3 with Ross Lambert and Paul Adey each scoring three times.

Mason ensures victory

HOCKEY: England took fifth place in the men's junior world cup at Terrassa, Spain, after a 3-1 win over Argentina on Saturday (Sydney Friskin writes). Despite building a 3-0 lead in 33 minutes through Hauck (2) and Nicklin, England needed another fine display of goalkeeping by Mason to withstand Argentina's fight-back after they had reduced the deficit through Capurro. Scotland had to settle for tenth place after a 3-1 defeat by South Korea yesterday. In the women's competition, England finished ninth, Culliford scoring in the 1-0 victory over Kenya. Scotland were eleventh after beating Trinidad 3-1 through Simpson (2) and Grant.

Pyatt looks to Duran

BOXING: Chris Pyatt's next opponent could be the 42-year-old legend, Roberto Duran, following the successful defence of his World Boxing Organisation middleweight title in Leicester on Saturday. Pyatt knocked out Hugo Corti, of Argentina, in six rounds and his manager, Barry Hearn, said that he is in talks for a money-spinning next bout, possibly against Duran, who held world titles at three weights, Terry Norris, the World Boxing Council light-middleweight champion, or Gerald McClennan or Reggie Johnson. On the undercard at Leicester, Herbie Hide, the heavyweight from Norwich, won on points against Everett Martin.

Boardman battles back

CYCLING: The Italian pairing of Gianni Bugno and Maurizio Fondriest, both former world road race champions, won the 73.6km Telekom grand prix team time-trial at Baden-Baden yesterday with Chris Boardman, of Britain, in second place (Peter Bryan writes). Boardman was teamed with the Italian, Claudio Chiappucci, but the pair were handicapped on the opening lap after Boardman had to change to a spare machine. Bugno-Fondriest had a four-second lead at the end of the first circuit from Olaf Ludwig, of Germany, and Tony Rominger, from Switzerland, with Boardman third, 15 seconds adrift.

Metronome restores Nolan's faith in him

BY JENNY MACARTHUR

PIPPA Nolan, the former national champion, had her faith in the wayward Metronome renewed when the ten-year-old gelding won the Blenheim Audi Horse Trials yesterday after a superbly judged clear round in the final show-jumping phase.

Nolan, from Forest Green, near Horsham, had the satisfaction of finishing ahead of three of the sport's most famous names. Virginia Leng, the former world and European champion, retained second place on Welton Romance.

Bruce Davidson, of the United States, a dual world champion, moved up to third place on Squelch after Ian Stark, the former European champion, dropped to fourth when Stanwick Ghost incurred ten show-jumping penalties.

Afterwards Stark said the seven-year-old, owned by Lady Hartington, and one of only four to finish clear in the time on the cross-country, had felt "off-colour"and would be blood tested.

Nolan, aged 24, had come to Blenheim to give Metronome "one more chance". Despite finishing sixth at Blenheim in 1990 and winning Bramham in 1992 the striking bay gelding has not fulfilled his potential.

He was pulled up at Badminton in May after several refusals and, at Gatcombe in August, put in another of his frustrating run-outs. "I kept being told to give him up," Nolan said "But I'm very fond of him and I wanted to give him one more try."

He was clear on Saturday's cross-country, and started yesterday's show jumping two points ahead of Leng.

Nolan's own show-jumping record, and Metronome's, did not fill her with confidence. Metronome lost the 1991 Bramham event after hitting three fences, and at Blenheim, last year Nolan dropped from first to third when Cartoon II hit three fences.

Leng increased Nolan's forebodings with a skilful clear round on the seven-year-old Welton Romance, a Welton Louis mare whose scope and courage are reminiscent of Leng's former top horse, Master Craftsman.

A hush descended as Nolan came into the arena. Metronome, as if aware that his future depended on it, jumped boldly and faultlessly round the 12-fence course to claim the £4,500 first prize — and a new lease of life.

Saturday's cross-country, helped by excellent going, provided a heartening day for the sport. Despite a more difficult course than usual, the performances of Stanwick Ghost and Welton Romance underlining the number of good young horses in the sport.

The corner at the fifth fence and the arena complex, the ninth, proved the two most influential fences. Andrew Nicholson, of New Zealand, lost his chance of a second win when Ferndale Charlie Brown had a run-out at the fifth fence. The arena fence claimed William Fox-Pitt, while Mark Todd had a run-out on The Visionary at the twentieth fence.

RESULTS: 1, Metronome (P Nolan, GB), 42.8 pen pts; 2, Welton Romance (V Leng, GB), 45.05; 3, Squelch (B Davidson, US), 53.90; 4, Stanwick Ghost (I Stark, GB), 55.40; 5, Kayem (R Lemieux, Can), 59.80; 6, Biko (K O'Connor, US), 63.95. Audi Riding and Road Safety Challenge: 1, Bidding Season (K and I McAlpine); 2, Highwayman (B Gray and D Bell); 3, Hopefield Lad (B and W Mulqueen)

RESULTS FROM SATURDAY'S FIVE MEETINGS

Newbury

Going: good to soft

1.30 (5f 34yd) 1, Royale Figurine (W R Swinburn, 11-2); 2, Bravo Edge (5-1); 3, Hello Mister (7-1). Dances With Risk 9-2 fav 10 ran. 3l, sh hd. M Femerston-Godley Tote £6.00, £1.80, £1.80, £2.10. DF £7.70. CSF £29.28. Trecast £171.07.

2.00 (6f 8yd) 1, Polish Laughter (W R Swinburn, 4-1); 2, Alaneex (14-1); 3, First Trump (6-4 jt-fav). Forest Gazette 6-4 jt-fav 5 ran. NR: Redoubtable. Sh hd, 2½l. B Hanbury. Tote £4.00: £1.80, £3.90. DF £20.50. CSF £36.16.

2.30 (1m 2f 6yd) 1, Lindon Lime (C Rutter, 25-1); 2, Jackpot Star (16-1); 3, Gone For A Burton (11-1). Mr Confusion 9-2 fav 14 ran. ¾l, ½l, P Cole. Tote: £37.10, £5.50, £4.20, £3.50. DF: £210.20. Tno: £480.90. CSF £327.36. Trecast £4,137.01. After a stewards' enquiry, result stood.

3.00 (1m 5f 61yd) 1, Castorel (D Harrison, 10-1); 2, Bagalino (10-1); 3, Justice (40-1). 4, Um Algowain (10-1). General Moutar 5-1 fav. 20 ran. Sh hd, 5l. J Hills. Tote: £16.30, £3.40, £2.30, £9.60, £3.20. DF: £102.00. Tno: £1,376.20. CSF: £99.35. Trecast: £3,492.07.

3.30 (1m 7yd) 1, Penny Drops (D Harrison, 5-1 fav); 2, Walking The Plank (16-1); 3, Saikan (10-1); 4, Marine Diver (14-1). 20 ran. 2l, 2l. Lord Huntingdon. Tote: £3.90, £1.50, £2.00, £2.70, £4.30. DF: £33.90. Tno: £208.00. CSF: £85.83. Trecast: £748.48.

4.00 (1m 7yd) 1, Marcot (R Hills, 7-4 fav; Our Newmarket Correspondent's nap); 2, Redenham (2-1); 3, Taos (11-4). 5 ran. 1¼l, nk. R Armstrong. Tote: £3.00, £1.70, £1.50. DF: £3.70. CSF: £5.49.

4.30 (6f 8yd) 1, Southern Ridge (D Harrison, 7-1); 2, Latlam (10-1); 3, Walayt (7-4 fav). 19 ran. 2¼l, 2¼l. D Elsworth. Tote: £17.80: £3.10, £3.80, £1.70. DF: £187.30. CSF: £73.62.

Jackpot: not won (pool of £24,021.54 carried forward to Kempton Park tomorrow).

Placepot: £5,099.40.

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1.25 1, Eden's Close (13-2); 2, White Willow (7-1); 3, Legion Of Honour (20-1). Scorpura 2-1 fav. 10 ran.

1.55 1, Sobering Thoughts (25-1); 2, Benzoe (33-1); 3, Sir Joey (14-1). 4, Hob Green (11-2 fav). 26 ran. NR: Rock Opera.

2.25 1, John Belliol (5-1); 2, Mack The Knife (9-2); 3, Key To My Heart (15-8 fav). 6 ran.

3.05 1, Hard To Figure (12-1); 2, Truthful Image (50-1); 3, Venture Capitalist (12-1). 4, Sir Harry Hardman (40-1). Everglades 7-1 fav. 29 ran.

3.35 1, Mill Force (1-3 fav); 2, Climb The Heights (11-4); 3, Birchwood Star (16-1). 3 ran.

4.10 1, Resonant (6-5 fav); 2, King Rat (7-1); 3, Bee Dee Best (33-1). 9 ran. NR: No Mean City.

4.40 1, Knock Knock (9-4 fav), 2, Blue Grotto (15-2). 3, Tapatch (7-1). 12 ran. NR: Moulwa.

4.50 1, Wee Wizard (100-30 fav), 2, Beleaf (9-2); 3, Stormhead (4-1). 10 ran.

Catterick Bridge

1.45 1, Bold Alex (11-10 fav); 2, Lochon (11-2); 3, Nawaflel (4-1). 7 ran.

2.15 1, Celestine (6-1); 2, Parfait Amour (5-1 fav); 3, Nellie's Gamble (10-1). 14 ran.

2.50 1, Mountain Willow (14-1); 2, Scottish Wedding (9-4 fav); 3, Follingworth Girl (7-2). 5 ran.

3.20 1, Kosata (8-1); 2, Unfinishedbusiness (33-1); 3, Newington Butts (4-1). Miswaki Dancer 2-1 fav. 10 ran.

3.50 1, Rispoto (11-8 fav), 2, Nancy (20-1); 3, Baher (17-2). 5 ran.

4.25 1, Strephon (13-2); 2, Gypsy Crystal (6-1); 3, Ho-Joe (6-1). Yewead 13-8 fav. 9 ran.

4.55 1, Queens Cottage (6-1); 2, Glenrugie (11-10 fav); 3, Westcoast (25-1). 6 ran. NR: Parley Firefly.

5.25 1, The Happy Loon (5-1), 2, Michelinza (16-1), 3, Clinton Bear (100-30). Mheanmeloo 5-2 fav. 13 ran.

Market Rasen

2.15 1, Cyrill Henry (3-1 fav); 2, Sir Pageant (9-2); 3, Alizan (16-1). 6 ran.

2.45 1, Mega Blue (4-9 fav); 2, Ermsee-H (7-4); 3 ran. NR: Mr Felix, Ruppies.

3.15 1, Legal Artist (4-1); 2, Mistrow (7-1); 3, Careless Farmer (100-30 fav). 13 ran.

3.45 1, Deep Decision (7-2); 2, Crazy Chaplain (3-1); 3, Smallmead Lad (13-8 fav). 7 ran. NR: Sailor Boy.

4.20 1, Lapiaffe (10-1), 2, Icarus (4-1), 3, Knight Of (7-4 fav). 6 ran.

Stratford

2.25 1, Smart Debutante (7-2); 2, Homlie (33-1); 3, Naljeb (7-1). Class Attraction 15-8 fav. 15 ran.

2.55 1, Strong Views (Evens fav); 2, Dextra Dove (4-1); 3, Candle King (50-1). 10 ran.

3.25 1, Romole Nijinsky (9-4 fav); 2, Bondad (9-2); 3, My Lindianne (5-1). 8 ran.

3.55 1, Joyful Noise (13-2); 2, Palm Reader (5-2 fav); 3, Kerakter Reference (5-1). 8 ran. NR: Pinemartin.

4.30 1, Swift Conveyance (33-1); 2, Mamalama (14-1); 3, Don't Forsake Me (12-1). Dancing Dove 7-4 fav. 17 ran.

5.00 1, Skipping Tim (8-13 fav), 2, Bell Dip (16-1); 3, Chancery Buck (13-2). 10 ran.

5.30 1, Northern Village (11-2); 2, Barley Mow (40-1); 3, Star Quest (2-1 fav). 11 ran. NR: Crazy River.

☐ Right Win, trained by Richard Hannon, beat John Dunlop's Azzilfi by three-quarters of a length in the Gran Premio d'Italia at San Siro, Milan, yesterday. There was further British success in France, where Sharp Prod, owned by the Queen, won the listed Prix du Pin at Longchamp.

LEADERS ON THE FLAT

JOCKEYS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Losing runners	Level stakes
Pat Eddery	140	110	73	29	-67.02
K Darley	125	120	86	1	-120.34
L Dettori	116	95	59	3	-23.10
G Duffield	106	82	86	1	-39.91
T Quinn	104	97	85	9	-107.77
W Carson	92	77	91	6	-163.98
M Roberts	91	80	98	13	-134.42
J Reid	91	89	56	3	-97.93
J Carroll	80	71	65	7	-74.77
W Ryan	80	72	68	2	-75.77
W R Swinburn	78	57	65	4	+27.93

TRAINERS

	1st	2nd	3rd	Boys above	Level stakes
R Hannon	144	141	122	2	-54.76
J Berry	120	109	90	2	-55.53
H Cecil	84	62	52	2	+16.30
J Gosden	78	50	38	2	+37.65
J Dunlop	74	64	55	3	-22.18
Mrs M Reveley	67	58	54	1	-62.49
M Johnston	60	79	54	11	-122.23
M Stoute	54	45	43	2	-64.60
P Cole	48	50	57	1	-143.47
P Chapple-Hyam	47	43	18	2	-38.14
M Prescott	46	36	29	1	-15.06

FOLKESTONE

THUNDERER

1.50 Mena. 2.20 Dancing Diamond. 2.50 Devotee. 3.20 Gilt Throne. 3.50 Milzig. 4.20 Confronter.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.20 Guv'nors Gift.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.50 MILZIG.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT SIS

DRAW: 6F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

1.50 DEAL HANDICAP
(3-Y-O: £2,118: 1m 1f 149yd) (15 runners)

1 4253 MO-ADDAB 14 A Stewart 9-7 ..... S Whitworth 8
2 3220 ARMENIAN COFFEE 21 (B) J Dunlop 9-2 ..... Pat Eddery 15
3 1342 DEVIOUS DANCER 26 (B) W G M Turner 9-2. D McCabe (5) 10
4 3500 TWICE THE GROOM 18 P Mitchell 9-0 ..... A Clark 1
5 3244 LANDRAIL 27 B Hills 8-11 ..... D Holland 2
6 1000 KRYAZ 15 (B) L Cottrell 8-11 ..... N Carlisle 9
7 4041 ICE REBEL 27 (BF) Miss B Sanders 8-8 ..... W Newnes 11
8 0004 ROLLING WATERS 14 J Tellor 8-8 ..... W Woods 12
9 4580 PRINCE SONGLINE 18 (G) R Boss 8-1 ..... T Sprake 4
10 4340 MENA SZ J Payne 8-0 ..... D Biggs 13
11 -060 NIGHT EDITION 88 S Dow 7-13 ..... A Tucker 3
12 0440 WOLLBOLL 33 P Makin 7-12 ..... N Adams 14
13 5330 RAGAZZO 13 K Cunningham-Brown 7-10 ..... L Charnock 5
14 5334 JULIASCHROWADER 25 (G) A Moore 7-10 ..... B Russell (5) 6
15 0-50 LADY HONDA 44 C Brittain 7-10 ..... B Doyle (5) 7

4-1 Mo-Addab, 5-1 Ice Rebel, 8-1 Armenian Coffee, Landrail, 7-1 Rolling Waters, 8-1 Twice The Groom, 12-1 Kryaz, Prince Songline, Wollboll, 14-1 others.

2.20 HASTINGS CLAIMING STAKES
(3-Y-O: £1,941: 1m 1f 149yd) (15)

1 GENERAL GUNCHING 8 Fleeny 9-7 ..... R Price 15
2 -200 SOQUAMA 102 R Voorspuy 8-1 ..... Pat Eddery 8
3 0040 CAURRATE 45J B Meehan 8-11 ..... B Doyle (5) 13
4 1604 GUVNORS GIFT 38 (C,F,B,S) M Tompkins 8-10 P Robinson 10
5 0000 KYRENIA GAME 10 (F,B) P Mitchell 8-8 ..... W Newnes 9
6 8082 PRETTY BABY 7 (B) R Williams 8-8 ..... D Biggs 11
7 0350 SAXON MAGIC 14 (B) J Bennett 8-8 ..... D Holland 12
8 0530 SKY BURST 17 L Cottrell 8-8 ..... N Carlisle 1
9 0000 ARRAS ROYALE 5 J Long 8-7 ..... A Tucker 5
10 0005 ESERE DE CORES 44 C Weedon 8-7 ..... A Clark 6
11 5000 EXPRESS MARIEQUE 23 (B) Mrs N Macauley 8-6 ..... D McCabe (5) 3
12 0- THE COUNTRY DANCER 383 K Ivory 8-4 ..... M Wigham 7
13 3005 DANCING DIAMOND 10 C Wall 8-3 ..... W Woods 4
14 0038 IAM RI 24 J Fitch-Heyes 8-2 ..... B Russell (5) 2
15 0000 LADY RELKO 6 R Voorspuy 8-0 ..... N Adams 14

7-2 Guv'nors Gift, 9-2 Express Marieque, 11-2 Kyrenia Game, 6-1 Dancing Diamond, Pretty Baby, 7-1 Bar Ri, 10-1 Saxon Magic, 14-1 others.

2.50 EBF LYSANDER INSURANCE MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O fillies: £4,556: 6f 189yd) (12)

1 5 DARING DESTINY 85 K Burke 8-11 ..... T Sprake 6
2 0 DELIVER 42 B Hills 8-11 ..... Pat Eddery 5
3 332 DEVOTEE 18 P Walwyn 8-11 ..... L Charnock 11
4 DONA BIANCA J Troy 8-11 ..... A Garth 10
5 3 EARTH CHARTER 70 C British 8-11 ..... B Doyle (5) 2
6 24 HAZOUAH 75 (BF) J Dunlop 8-11 ..... W Newnes 12
7 KIRON ROYALE M Channon 8-11 ..... M Wigham 4
8 00 LOOSE CHANGE 54 G L Moore 8-11 ..... A Morris 7
9 05 RADIANT DANCER 72 R Phillips 8-11 ..... P Robinson 1
10 65 RARE BIRD 21 H Cecil 8-11 ..... D Holland 3
11 6 SARIYAA 41 M Stoute 8-11 ..... B Raymond 9
12 0 SUSAR TOWN 13 P Cole 8-11 ..... A Clark 8

5-2 Devotee, 3-1 Hazouah, 4-1 Rare Bird, 9-2 Sariyaa, 12-1 Daring Destiny, Deliver, Earth Charter, 14-1 others.

3.20 SCOTTISH EQUITABLE HANDICAP
(£3,933: 6f) (17)

1 6400 TERRHARS 21 (F,B) M Heaton-Ellis 5-10-0 ..... D Holland 9
2 4000 AUGHTAD 7 (V,F,D,F,B,S) T Casey 7-9-13 ..... R Fahrter (7) 10
3 0060 GILT THRONE 34 (D,F,B) M Tompkins 8-8-8 ..... P Robinson 17
4 0006 THE AUCTION BIDDER 18 (D,S) R Hollinshead 6-8-8 ..... S Wynne (5) 16
5 1600 JOBIE 23 (D,G) W Haggas 3-8-3 ..... W Woods 6
6 0660 SECOND CHANCE 13 (C,F,S) P Mitchell 3-8-2 ..... A Clark 5
7 2216 SEA-DEER II (S) L Holt 4-8-10 ..... Pat Eddery 14
8 0135 ISLAND KNIGHT 35 (G) M Ryan 4-8-10 ..... K Rutter (5) 1
9 0000 DOMICKSKY 18 (D,F,G,S) M Channon 5-8-9 ..... — 3
10 8414 DOUBLE BOUNCE 7 (CD,F) K Ivory 3-8-7 ..... W Newnes 15
11 6024 DOUBLE SHIFT 32 (BF) B Hillman 4-8-6 ..... S Whitworth 2
12 3441 KILDEE LAD 7 (D,G) A Jones 3-8-6 (7ex) ..... B Raymond 8
13 0300 MARK'S CLUB 7 (B,G) R O'Sullivan 3-8-2 ..... D Biggs 7
14 0332 LORINS GOLD 20 (B) A Turnell 3-8-1 ..... N Adams 11
15 2108 UMBRIA 7 (BF,S) R Akehurst 4-7-12 ..... B Russell (5) 12
16 0105 SPECTACLE JIM 34 (B,D,G) J O'Donoghue 4-7-11 ..... D McCabe (5) 13
17 0040 GEMINI BAY 18 (CD,F,G) R Voorspuy 4-7-7 ..... N Carlisle 4

7-1 Umbria, 8-1 Aughtad, 10-1 Gilt Throne, Sea-Deer, Island Knight Double Bounce, 12-1 Tenters, The Auction Bidder, Jobie, Double Shift, 14-1 others.

3.50 BROADSTAIRS CLAIMING STAKES
(£1,957: 1m 4f) (13)

1 0640 MILZIG 21 (B,G) D Elsworth 4-9-10 ..... Pat Eddery 8
2 -246 MYFONTAINE 115 (D,F,B,S) K Ivory 5-9-4 ..... M Wigham 9
3 02-0 QUADRANT 123 (D,B) A Moore 4-9-0 ..... N Adams 6
4 ABU DANCER K Cunningham-Brown 3-8-12 ..... L Charnock 71
5 0345 SWIFT ROMANCE 21 (B) B Hillman 5-8-12 ..... S Whitworth 1
6 1322 SEAMAL 5 (BF,G) M Prescott 3-8-9 ..... C Rutter 3
7 0050 WOODMANS STAR 19 D Sasse 3-8-9 ..... K Rutter (5) 4
8 6-08 BACK TO FORM 26 W G M Turner 6-8-5 ..... T Sprake 5
9 0-0 COMMANCHE STAR 9 D Shaw 3-8-4 ..... N Carlisle 12
10 5460 FOREVER SHINING 6 (CD,S) R Williams 3-8-3 ..... D Biggs 2
11 60 GAYYINAT 21 (V) C Weedon 3-8-2 ..... A Clark 10
12 2021 GWEEK 5 (G) M Tompkins 3-7-13 ..... P Robinson 13
13 60 CASTLE-VIEW 63 K Burke 3-7-11 ..... A Tucker 7

11-10 Milzig, 3-1 Quadrant, 6-1 Gweek, 7-1 Seamal, 8-1 Myfontaine, 10-1 others.

4.20 PEDLINGE LIMITED STAKES
(Amateurs: £1,772: 6f 189yd) (16)

1 4336 BILL MOON 18 (D,F,G) P Feilden 7-10-12 ..... Miss J Feilden 13
2 2-00 CHIEF OF STAFF 157 (F) J Pearce 4-10-12 ..... Mrs L Pearce 8
3 0404 CONFRONTER 4 (V,C,D,S,S) S.Dow 4-10-12 ..... T Cuff (5) 12
4 0- LILLAH DARAK 500 (F) A Jones 5-10-12 ..... Miss A Whitfield Jones (5) 1
5 0023 RELENTLESS PURSUIT 38 (G) P Chapple-Hyam 5-10-12 ..... Mrs J Chapple-Hyam (5) 7
6 0060 STARLIGHT FLYER 9 (B,F,G,S) J Long 6-10-12 ..... T Williams (5) 3
7 0100 SYLVAN SABRE 9 (V,F,G,S) P Mitchell 4-10-12 ..... R Teal 5
8 0005 GEORGE ROPER 57 (C,S) G L Moore 3-10-8 Mrs J Moore (5) 4
9 0400 KRAYYAN DAWN 38 R Voorspuy 3-10-8 ..... J Penn 2
10 6000 MELLERO 30 (B) B Lewis 3-10-8 ..... K Sanbase (5) 1
11 0000 MOLLEEB 4 Pat Mitchell 3-10-8 ..... Miss S Chapman (5) 14
12 0036 THREEDRUS 100 K Ivory 3-10-8 ..... D Marshall (5) 11
13 0000 TOP PET 13 (F) R Akehurst 3-10-7 ..... T McCarthy (5) 10
14 5460 MAID WELCOME 9 (V,F,G) Mrs N Macauley 3-10-7 ..... Miss A Sanders (5) 9
15 1530 DARE SPARROW 18 (D,F) P Walwyn 3-10-3 Mrs M Cowdrey 15
16 6444 TRIANGLEPOINT 23 (G) S Pritchard-Gordon 3-10-3 ..... P Pritchard-Gordon (3) 6

3-1 Dare Sparrow, 5-1 Confronter, Relentless Pursuit, 7-1 Top Pet, 10-1 Lillah Darak, Trianglepoint, 12-1 Sylvan Sabre, Maid Welcome, 16-1 others.

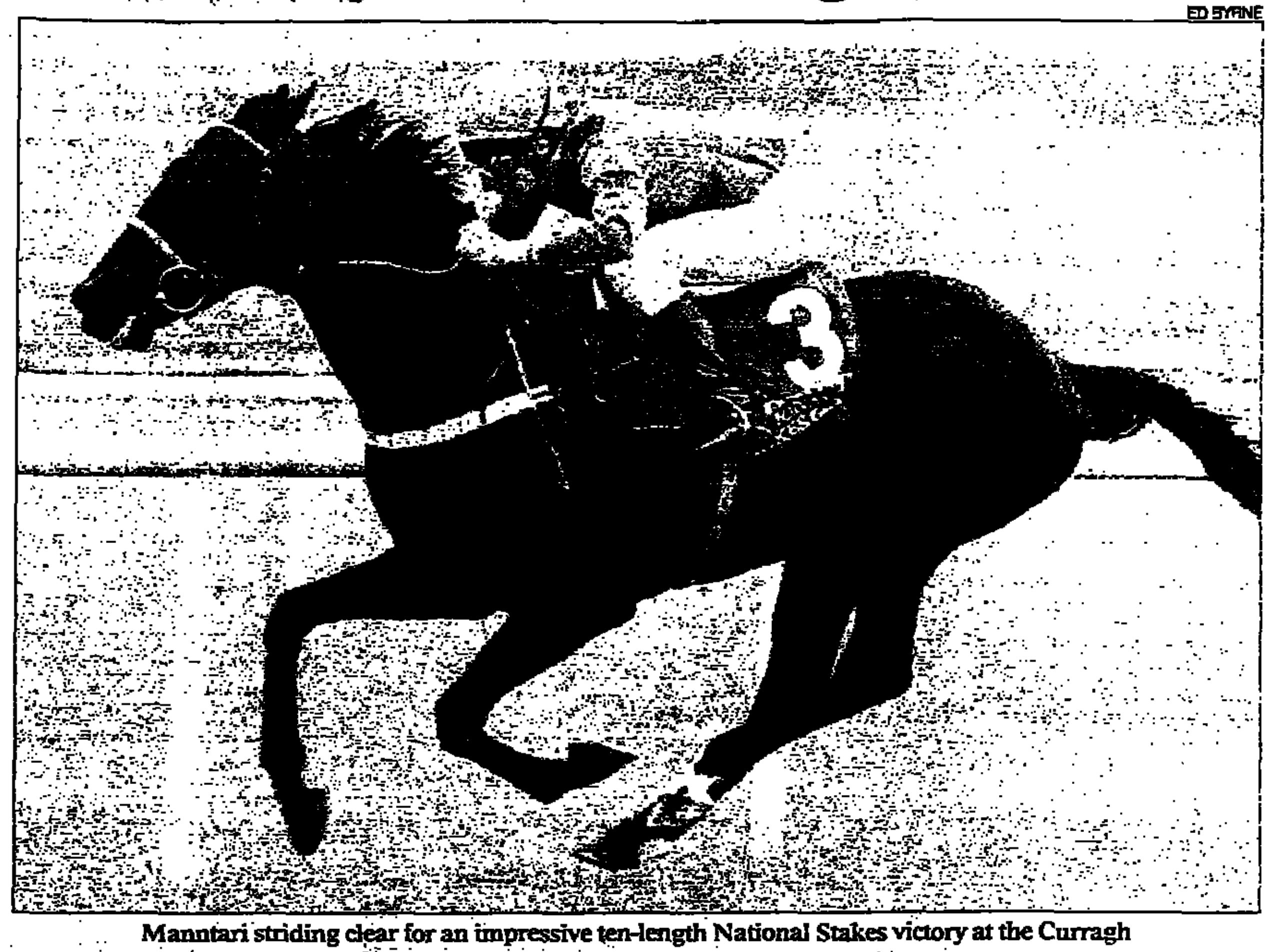
COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: P Chapple-Hyam, 4 winners from 10 runners, 40.0%; A Turnell, 5 from 14, 35.7%; L Cottrell, 4 from 16, 25.0%; H Cecil, 4 from 17, 23.5%; P Cole, 15 from 64, 23.4%; W Haggas, 3 from 15, 20.0%.

JOCKEYS: Pat Eddery, 32 winners from 102 rides, 31.4%; N Carlisle, 5 from 30, 12.8%; T Sprake, 5 from 48, 10.4%; W Newnes, 14 from 133, 10.5%. Only qualifiers.

Manntari may hasten Aga return

By Julian Muscat



ED BYRNE

Manntari striding clear for an impressive ten-length National Stakes victory at the Curragh

IT WAS only a matter of time before the Aga Khan unleashed a colt whose ability would underline the full impact of his decision to completely withdraw from British racing three years ago.

Few at the Curragh who witnessed Manntari's ten-length victory in the National Stakes on Saturday would deny that the moment had now arrived.

A series of statements by both the Aga Khan and the Jockey Club, the two sides in dispute, hinted that a solution to this unsatisfactory impasse was close at hand. Yet the comments of John Oxx, Manntari's trainer, suggested little or no concrete progress has been made.

"As far as I'm concerned, I will be entering the horse for the Irish and French Guineas," Oxx said from his Kildare stables yesterday. "England is not on Manntari's agenda as far as I know."

However, it is understood there has been informal contact between representatives of both sides. Neither camp, quite understandably, is prepared to discuss the substance of those discussions, but the positive stance adopted by the Aga Khan over a return to this country is encouraging.

His withdrawal to Ireland and France was prompted by Aliysa's disqualification from first place in the 1989 Oaks after traces of the prohibited substance, camphor, were found in her system. Although there was never a suggestion of foul play, the Aga Khan said the Jockey Club's dope testing procedures were flawed and pledged to stay away until he was satisfied they were improved.

Since he quit these shores, there has been little racecourse evidence from the Aga Khan's runners to polarise existing opinion within the racing fraternity into an all-out call for his return. Manntari could provide that catalyst, as he is unquestionably a colt of great promise.

"He's in the Beresford Stakes at the Curragh on October 9 and he could well run there," Oxx said of Manntari's future. "As for next year, he'll definitely stay ten furlongs and he has a good chance of staying further. He's from a family of stayers and shorter runners, so it's hard to be sure."

The last horse to capture the National Stakes with such authority was Santa Claus, whose eight-length romp in 1963 prefaced a Derby victory at Epsom the following season. An equally impressive run by Manntari in the Beresford Stakes is bound to bring an urgency to the process by which he will have the opportunity to emulate Santa Claus.

Given the Derby's standing as the most prestigious race in the world, the Aga Khan, whose priority with his bloodstock empire remains for it to pay its way, would dearly love a fourth victory following those of Shergar in 1980, Shahrastani in 1986 and Kahyasi two years later.

He knows only too well that winners of the French or Irish equivalent do not generate the same book value. Should a colt miss Epsom, it is no exaggeration to say he would need to win the Derbys of France and Ireland and the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes if he is to be worth more than the Derby winner.

Witness the fate of the contemporaries, Nashwan and Old Vic. The former now stands as the most expensive stallion in Britain, while the latter has been shuttled off to Japan even though there were many who rated him Nashwan's superior on the racecourse.

Yet the Aga Khan's stance in this whole affair suggests he will not bend his principles in this, the first instance when there is a real benefit to be gained from racing in Britain.

From the Jockey Club's viewpoint, a reconciliation will prevent the reopening of old wounds. There will be a sustained clamour for Manntari's participation in the 2,000 Guineas and Derby if, as seems likely, the colt endorses his growing reputation at the Curragh next time out.

Manntari's impact has already been such that Ladbrokes, the bookmakers, would list him as clear favourite for those two classics if his presence could be guaranteed.

RICHARD EVANS

Nap: NORDAN RAIDER
(2.00 Nottingham)
Next best: Gold Blade
(4.30 Nottingham)

Ricketts needs to address pattern-race congestion

Tristram Ricketts, chief executive of the British Racing Board, now has another hat. He has just been appointed chairman of the European Pattern committee.

In this office, an urgent task awaits him. That is to sort out the log-jam of group events that now occurs at this time of the year.

Next Saturday, the Ascot Festival takes place. It features the group one Queen Elizabeth II Stakes over a mile and the Tote Festival Handicap, backed up by the Fillies' Mile for two-year-olds, also group one, the Royal Lodge Stakes (group two) over a mile for two-year-old colts and geldings, and the six-furlong Diadem Stakes (group three).

Only seven days later comes the Longchamp weekend, sponsored by the Ciga Hotel group. No fewer than four group one races are on the programme: the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, the five-furlong Prix de l'Abbaye, the Grand Criterium over a mile for two-year-olds and the Prix Marcel Boussac over the same distance for two-year-old fillies.

In addition, there are a further six events at group level, three of them for older horses between a mile and a mile and a quarter.

There is no question that this makes for fabulous racing entertainment but does it make sense in terms of the balance of the Pattern, which is meant to provide a logical progression of important races?

Here, it is instructive to look at Longchamp in particular. Ascot started its Festival in 1987; the Ciga sponsorship in Paris began the following year.

JACK WATERMAN



Racing commentary

As a result, extra group races, including the Grand Criterium, have been drafted in from other dates in the calendar to enhance the programme.

Ascot has not benefited from this proximity. In 1987, 14 English runners were attracted to Paris. Last year, England provided a total of 39, or 36 per cent, of all runners in the pattern races at the Ciga weekend.

Nor was it necessarily prize-money that lured them. None of the French races for older horses around the mile mark came anywhere near the £209,339 that went to the winner of the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes, which maintains its position as a true mile championship.

Also, the Fillies' Mile, at £93,015, was worth more than the Marcel Boussac. However, a group race, whatever the money, is a powerful incentive for those owners with bloodstock interests.

Of course, there is no quarrel with the position of the Arc as the European autumn championship race. This year, partly thanks to Norman Lamont and a lower exchange rate, the Arc will be for the first time worth more than £1 million total prize-money.

It may be different next year. In the light of its present financial difficulties, it could well be that the Ciga group will decide that they can no longer afford their sponsorship.

But whatever happens, it is up to Tristram Ricketts, in his new post, to take a close look at the present Pattern at this time of the year.

A reshuffle would not necessarily benefit Ascot or harm Longchamp but would be for the good of European racing as a whole.

Polish Laughter eyes Dewhurst

POLISH Laughter, winner of the Mill Reef Stakes at Newbury on Saturday, is to round off his season in the Dewhurst Stakes at Newmarket on October 15 (Julian Muscat writes).

Trained by Ben Hanbury, Polish Laughter just held off the maiden, Alanees, by a short head, with the previously unbeaten First Trump a further 2½ lengths back in third. The winner had not run since taking the Railway Stakes at the Curragh in June.

"I'd love to say I've got six better at home, but he's definitely my best two-year-old," Hanbury said yesterday.

The trainer, who has run only eight of his 35 juveniles to date, believes his colt is already crying out for seven furlongs. "He works beautifully when he's settled in behind, but we had to make use of him as six furlongs is too short for him now. Walter Swinburn said he had trouble pulling him up."

Improvement is anticipated in the Dewhurst, when Hanbury expects Polish Laughter to strip closer to his best racing weight. William Hill, the bookmaker, quote both Polish Laughter and First Trump at 25-1 for next year's 2,000 Guineas.

Vintage Crop has Melbourne in sights

From Our Irish Racing Correspondent, Dublin

DERMOT Weld received the good news from Australia yesterday that his Jefferson Smurfit Memorial Irish St Leger winner, Vintage Crop, has escaped a penalty for his intended target, the Melbourne Cup on November 2.

Penalties in Australia's richest race are solely confined to major handicaps. Vintage Crop has to be nicely handicapped there with 8st 10lb compared with the 9st 8lb he carried to victory at the Curragh on Saturday.

The form of his two previous group race efforts in Ireland has worked out well. Vintage Crop finished a close-up second to Lord Of The Field in the 10-furlong Meld Stakes and the latter was then third behind Muhtarram and Opera House in the Guinness Champion Stakes.

Encouraged by that, the connections of Vintage Crop went for a gamble on Saturday, and the six-year-old was backed from 8-1 to 9-2 to improve upon his fifth placing in the race last year.

Michael Kinane had him in the leading group behind Shrewd Idea and Drum Taps from the start and, kicking on strongly directly after turning for home, he went clear despite the late effort of Assessor, who ran on to take second place off Foresee.

Weld said that one problem centring on his becoming the first European-trained challenger for the Melbourne Cup was sorting out the quarantine regulations. The trainer was expecting veterinary experts to visit his yard today with a view to Vintage Crop fulfilling at least part of the quarantine session in Ireland.

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PONTEFRACT

THUNDERER

2.10 Nizaal. 2.40 Diaco. 3.10 Lucky Message. 3.40 Double Sixteen. 4.10 Bold Stroke. 4.40 Darrery. 5.10 Saddlehome.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.10 Nizaal.

GOING: GOOD DRAW: 5F-6F, LOW NUMBERS BEST SIS

2.10 EBF POPPIN LANE MAIDEN STAKES
(2-Y-O: £4,270: 6f) (11 runners)

1 (2) EQUERRY (J Good) M Jarvis 9-0 W Ryan –
2 (5) 4 NIZAAL 32 (H Al-Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 9-0 R Hills 99
3 (3) 0 STAR PERFORMER 72 (P Savill) Mrs M Reveley 9-0 K Darley –
4 (1) STEEL SOVEREIGN (R Hope) Mrs M Reveley 9-0 F Norton –
5 (9) 032 TAILCOAT 7 (Shaikh Mohammed) G Harwood 9-0 M Perrett 96
6 (10) CHAMPAGNE ATEASTER (JEM Racing) S Norton 8-9 K Fallon –
7 (4) CITY OF MY DREAMS (Metropolitan Properties Ltd) D Moffatt 8-9 J Fanning –
8 (7) MUSICAL STAR (T Wilkinson) M Johnston 8-9 R P Elliott –
9 (11) SONNET (H De Kwiatkowski) Lord Huntingdon 8-9 D Harrison –
10 (8) TOPNOTCH (D Wyatt) R Whitaker 8-9 A Culhane –
11 (6) 3 ZIFTA 16 (Shaikh Mohammed) M Stoute 8-9 J Reid 90

BETTING: 2-1 Zifta, 9-4 Nizaal, 3-1 Tailcoat, 13-2 Star Performer, 10-1 Sonnet, 12-1 Equerry, 16-1 others.

1992: TYCHONIC 9-0 R Cochrane (10-11 fav) B Hills 14 ran

FORM FOCUS

NIZAAL 5¾l 4th of 11 to Owington in a maiden at York (6f, good). TAILCOAT 2½l 2nd of 12 to Reason To Dance in a maiden at Bath (5f 161yd, good). ZIFTA 6l 3rd of 14 to Relatively Special in a maiden at Kempton (6f, good). MUSICAL STAR (Mar 31) is a half-sister, by Music Boy, to 1m 2f winner Stella Grande. SONNET (Feb 9) is a half-sister, by Danzig, to 6f-1m 1f winner Posen. Dam won in the United States.
Selection: NIZAAL

2.40 NEAT MARKET SELLING HANDICAP (£2,889: 1m 4yd) (22 runners)

1 (12) 300000- LORD VIVIENNE 39J (D,F,G) (Tom's Ten) Mrs P Barker 4-10-0 M Perrett 93
2 (9) 05-5334 DIACO 14 (CD,F,G) (J Good) M Jarvis 8-9-10 W Ryan 98
3 (17) 034412 ESSAYEFFSEE 27 (F) (Mrs S Murray) Mrs M Reveley 4-9-5 K Darley 95
4 (16) 001043 YOUNG VALENTINE 45 (F,S) (The PBT Group) R Whitaker 4-9-4 A Culhane 93
5 (1) 042505 GOLD SURPRISE 59 (S) (J Calvert) S Kettlewell 4-9-2 J Fortune 94
6 (6) 030302 KHALLOOF 87 (G) (Albury Racing Ltd) Denys Smith 4-9-2 R Hills 90
7 (2) 265400 SIR ARTHUR HOBBS 28 (D,F,G) (J Hardman) F Lee 6-9-1 R Lappin 98
8 (4) 033400 BLUE RADIANCE 7 (V,F) (J Brearley) T Fairhurst 3-9-0 J Fanning 83
9 (3) 0/00050- STYLISH GENT 30J (CD,F,G) (Blackfield Racing) A Harrison 6-8-13 J O'Reilly 82
10 (8) 461006 BOLD MELODY 14 (D,F,G) (Patrick Haslam Racing) P Haslam 4-8-12 J Marshall (5) 90
11 (14) 010000 SHANNON EXPRESS 14 (V,D,F,G,S) (R Cottam) E Alston 6-8-12 Julie Bowker 94
12 (7) 330644 MISSED THE BOAT 14 (E Buck) T Barron 3-8-11 V Halliday (7) 96
13 (10) 0-12300 YOUNG JASON 28 (CD,F,G,S) (Mrs G Lee) F Lee 10-8-10 S Perks 97
14 (5) 124440 NORTHERN CONQUEROR 10 (F,G) T Naughton 5-8-10 D Harrison 94
15 (20) 0-33036 VANART 33 (BF) (W Haigh) W Haigh 4-8-10 S Webster 96
16 (18) 025400 MALCESINE 7 (D,F) (F Cunliffe) J H Wilson 4-8-8 S Wood 95
17 (19) 004306 DIAMOND INTHE DARK 20 (V,F) (Mrs J Taylor) J Norton 5-8-7 A Garth (5) 99
18 (22) 533446 FORMAESTRE 16 (G) (S Norton) S Norton 3-8-6 S Maloney (3) 94
19 (15) 304022 COOL ENOUGH 33 (CD,BF,F,G,S) (Mrs J Ramsden) Mrs J Ramsden 12-8-5 K Fallon 96
20 (11) 406005 FOOLISH TOUCH 45 (C,D,F,G,S) (Broughton Insulation) W Musson 11-8-5 J Reid 92
21 (13) 006030 LAZY RHYTHM 47 (D,G,S) (Mrs C Hirst) J Eyre 7-8-5 F Norton 86
22 (21) 060 STATE TACOMA 75 (V) (Mrs P Flowers) G Oldroyd 3-8-4 B Forster (7) 85

BETTING: 7-1 Diaco, 8-1 Essayeffsee, Gold Surprise, 10-1 Cool Enough, Young Jason, 12-1 Bold Melody, Foolish Touch, Sir Arthur Hobbs, 16-1 Vanart, Northern Conqueror, 20-1 others.

1992: SIR NORMAN HOLT 3-9-6 D McKeown (5-1 fav) F Lee 20 ran

FORM FOCUS

DIACO 5l 4th of 18 to Ballyranter in a handicap at Hamilton (1m 65yd, firm), with BOLD MELODY 2¾l 6th and SHANNON EXPRESS (1lb worse off) 11l last.
ESSAYEFFSEE head 2nd of 12 to Venroy in a seller at Pontefract (1m 2f, good). YOUNG VALENTINE 6¼l 3rd of 9 to Corona Gold in a handicap at Southwell (7f, good). KHALLOOF 2½l 2nd of 5 to Kummel King in an apprentices' claimer at Newcastle (7f, good to firm). SIR ARTHUR HOBBS 3l 8th of 19 to Quantity Surveyor in a handicap at Nottingham (1m, good). MISSED THE BOAT 4¼l 4th of 15 to King Paris in a claimer at Hamilton (1m 65yd, firm). VANART 2¾l 6th of 11 to Affordable in a handicap at Carlisle (7f, good to firm). COOL ENOUGH neck 2nd of 13 to Jahangir in a handicap at Carlisle (1m, good to firm).
Selection: DIACO

3.10 NEW HALL RATING RELATED MAIDEN STAKES
(2-Y-O: £2,898: 5f) (7 runners)

1 (7) 036344 GAELIC STAR 24 (Mrs G Maloney) R Hollinshead 9-0 W Ryan 90
2 (5) 0500 MENTMORE LAD 24 (P Elson) N Callaghan 9-0 A Mackay 89
3 (6) 55020 MR BERGERAC 11 (BF) (P John) B Palling 9-0 D Harrison 96
4 (2) 5520 ELUNED MAY 20 (Mrs J Clee) R Whitaker 8-9 A Culhane 98
5 (1) 0032 FADE AWAY 82 (W Spink) T Barron 8-9 K Darley 84
6 (3) 52234 LUCKY MESSAGE 21 (W Armitage) J Etherington 8-9 J Reid 99
7 (4) 44006 REAL POPCORN 21 (P Barclay) J Berry 8-9 J Fortune 85

BETTING: 5-2 Lucky Message, 3-1 Mr Bergerac, 5-1 Real Popcorn, 7-1 Eluned May, Fade Away, 8-1 others.

1992: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

FORM FOCUS

GAELIC STAR 4½l 4th of 16 to Winning Line in a seller at Thirsk (7f, firm). MENTMORE LAD 14l 18th of 28 to Ianishowen in a maiden at Newmarket (7f, good). MR BERGERAC 1½l 2nd of 8 to Good Fetch in a maiden auction at Ripon on penultimate start (5f, good to firm). ELUNED MAY 1l 2nd of 9 to Mr B Reasonable in a maiden auction at Ripon on penultimate start (5f, good to firm). FADE AWAY 1¾l 2nd of 8 to Lady Sheriff in a seller at Catterick (5f, good to firm). LUCKY MESSAGE 2¼l 4th of 7 to Indefence in a nursery at Newcastle (7f, good to firm). REAL POPCORN 12l 6th of 13 to Amoret in a seller at Ripon (6f, good to firm).
Selection: ELUNED MAY

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Wnrs	Rnrs	%	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	%
S Dow	3	5	60.0	J Reid	5	24	20.8
J Dunlop	4	9	44.4	R Hills	10	54	18.5
H Cecil	15	34	44.1	A Garth	5	27	18.5
G Harwood	7	21	33.3	W Ryan	15	84	17.9
Lord Huntingdon	5	17	29.4	K Darley	25	167	15.0

3.40 GRAHAM KITCHEN & BATHROOM NURSERY HANDICAP
(2-Y-O: £4,815: 1m 4yd) (13 runners)

1 (9) 4130 SECRET SERENADE 11 (C,F) (C Booth) J Glover 9-7 J Fortune 87
2 (1) 504610 ALPINE SKIER 34 (B) (P Savill) R Hannon 9-4 K Darley 92
3 (3) 31 SYABAS 42 (G) (S Goh) S Dow 9-4 J Reid 90
4 (11) 1545 DUBECK BLUE 26 (F) (Mrs A Birkett) F Weymes 9-3 M Tebbutt 96
5 (7) 20230 ARZ 11 (H Al-Maktoum) H Thomson Jones 8-13 R Hills 92
6 (5) 603 ALL IN THE MIND 44 (G Reed) C Thornton 8-12 K Fallon 85
7 (12) 210254 CULSYTH FLYER 9 (C,F,S) (W Cully) R Hollinshead 8-11 W Ryan 95
8 (6) 4330 PHYLIAN 11 (Mrs M Southcott) A Hide 8-5 D Harrison 97
9 (2) 300 TANAH MERAH 13 (Mrs P Jamison) P Cole 8-3 C Rutter 98
10 (4) 0020 DURHAM DRAPES 23 (Durham Drapes Ltd) M H Easterby 8-2 S Maloney (3) 93
11 (13) 6300 JEAN DE FLORETTE 18 (B) (J Purcell) R Spicer 7-12 A Garth (5) 97
12 (10) 40505 DOUBLE SIXTEEN 27 (Mrs D Ridley) Mrs J Ramsden 7-9 J Fanning 99
13 (8) 3800 SUSELJA 48 (J Donald) J Jefferson 7-7 A Mackay 94

Long handicap: Suselja 7-5.

BETTING: 7-2 Syabas, 4-1 Alpine Skier, 5-1 Tanah Merah, 6-1 Double Sixteen, 8-1 Culsyth Flyer, 10-1 others.

1992: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

FORM FOCUS

ALPINE SKIER beat Extra Bonus head in a 12-runner nursery at Goodwood on penultimate start (7f, good to soft), with CULSYTH FLYER (6lb better off) 10l 10th. SYABAS beat Maurangi 6l in a 12-runner maiden auction at Thirsk (7f, good). ARZ 9¼l 7th of 17 to Duty Time in a nursery at Doncaster (1m, soft), with SECRET SERENADE 1½l 8th and PHYLIAN 13l 16th. ALL IN THE MIND 5l 3rd of 10 to Hobart in a maiden auction at Ayr (7f, soft). CULSYTH FLYER 10¾l 4th of 13 to Rafferty's Rules in a nursery at Doncaster (6f, good to soft). DURHAM DRAPES 3¾l 2nd of 8 to Cut The Red Tape in a maiden auction at Ayr on penultimate start (7f, good), with ALL IN THE MIND (5lb worse off) 15¾l 7th.
Selection: SYABAS

4.10 DALBY SCREW-DRIVER RATED HANDICAP
(£7,509: 1m 2f 6yd) (10 runners)

1 (7) 0-01060 AMAZE 44 (S) (Lady Katharine Phillips) Lady Herries 4-9-7 K Darley 93
2 (4) 110-240 LAST EMBRACE 72 (CD,F,G) (E Loder) Lord Huntingdon 4-8-12 D Harrison 91
3 (10) 111205 SILVER SAMURAI 9 (CD,F,G,S) (J Cable) Mrs V Aconley 4-8-12 S Maloney (3) 93
4 (2) 2-60034 BOLD STROKE 10 (D,F,S) (T Wilson) J Dunlop 4-8-9 J Reid 98
5 (9) 201441 KNOCK KNOCK 2 (D,BF,F,G) (G Smart) I Balding 8-8-9 (3ex) S O'Gorman 99
6 (6) 0560F0 LEIF THE LUCKY 19 (C,G,S) (Mrs B Duxbury) Miss S Hall 4-8-7 N Connorton 90
7 (3) 4120-06 CEZANNE 9 (D,F) (Shaikh Mohammed) M Stoute 4-8-7 W Ryan 86
8 (1) 622013 RIVAL BID 33 (D,G) (D Altham) M Jarvis 5-8-7 M Tebbutt 89
9 (5) 215-620 ROYAL CITIZEN 80 (D,G) (J Bottomley) J Bottomley 4-8-7 K Fallon 86
10 (8) 250-004 FLOATING LINE 20 (C,D,F,S) (Mrs J Wigham) P Wigham 5-8-7 A Culhane 68

Long handicap: Cezanne 8-2, Rival Bid 8-2, Royal Citizen 7-13, Floating Line 6-10

BETTING: 3-1 Knock Knock, 4-1 Bold Stroke, 5-1 Silver Samurai, 8-1 Last Embrace 12-1 Amaze, 14-1 others.

1992: NO CORRESPONDING RACE

FORM FOCUS

LAST EMBRACE 7¾l 4th of 16 to Source of Light in a handicap at Ascot on penultimate start (1m 4f, soft). SILVER SAMURAI 9l 5th of 12 to Ribhi in a handicap at Doncaster (1m 2f 60yd, soft), with CEZANNE (2lb worse off) 8l 6th. BOLD STROKE 5l 4th of 18 to Knowth in a handicap at Goodwood (1m 1f, good to soft). KNOCK KNOCK beat Blue Grotto 3l in a 12-runner handicap at Ayr (1m 3f, good to firm). RIVAL BID 7l 3rd of 6 to Sun of Spring in a handicap at Kempton (1m 4f, good to firm). ROYAL CITIZEN 3l 2nd of 5 to Valiance in a handicap at Redcar on penultimate start (1m 2f, firm).
Selection: KNOCK KNOCK (nap)

4.40 FRIER WOOD CONDITIONS STAKES
(£4,408: 1m 4f 8yd) (4 runners)

1 (3) 5-200 BREAK BREAD 63 (F,G) (Lord Weinstock) P Chapple-Hyam 4-9-3 J Reid 99
2 (1) 16 TRAMMEL 38 (CD,F) (K Abdulla) H Cecil 3-8-8 K Fallon 83
3 (2) 1281 WINTER FOREST 24 (G) (Shaikh Mohammed) H Cecil 3-8-8 W Ryan 91
4 (4) 21 DARRERY 9 (S) (Shaikh Mohammed) M Stoute 3-8-3 K Darley 88

BETTING: 6-4 Winter Forest, 7-4 Darrery, 3-1 Break Bread, 6-1 Trammel

1992: SHADOWS OF SILVER 4-9-2 M Birch (3-1) B McMahon 10 ran

FORM FOCUS

BREAK BREAD 7l 8th of 10 to River North in the group III Tennents Scottish Classic at Ayr (1m 2f, good).
TRAMMEL 12¾l 6th of 7 to Prince Of Andros in a conditions race at Newbury (1m 4f, good). WINTER FOREST beat DARRERY 1½l in a 16-runner maiden at Goodwood (1m 2f, good). DARRERY beat Toujours Riviera 3l in a 9-runner maiden at Goodwood (1m 2f, good to soft).
Selection: DARRERY

5.10 NEVISON HANDICAP (£3,340: 5f) (18 runners)

1 (16) 100005 JUST BOB 4 (D,F,G,S) (J Fotherby) S Kettlewell 4-10-0 J Fortune 97
2 (6) 0-00310 MY ABBEY 30 (CD,F) (Abbey Racing) E Alston 4-9-7 K Fallon 90
3 (3) 225223 COVENT GARDEN GIRL 38 (D,G,S) M W Easterby 3-9-5 T Lucas 91
4 (15) 008160 ADMIRALS REALM 16 (C,D,F) (P Leslie) B McMahon 4-9-4 A Mackay 98
5 (1) 040030 SO SUPERB 7 (B,D,S) (N Riddell) M Dods 4-9-4 S Webster 96
6 (4) 000553 SADDLEHOME 10 (C,F) (K Shaw) T Barron 4-9-2 J Reid 96
7 (7) 681403 JESS REBEC 18 (D,F) (Byron J Stokes) J Banks 5-9-2 L Newton (5) 95
8 (18) 900010- ORIENT AIR 336 (D,F,G) (H Pym) D Chapman 5-9-2 N Connorton 85
9 (10) 221000 MILBANK CHALLENGER 18 (D,F) (C Stevens) M H Easterby 3-9-1 S Maloney (3) 93
10 (11) 038050 SIMMIE'S SPECIAL 4 (B,D,G) (D Coppenball) R Hollinshead 5-9-0 A Garth (5) 98
11 (2) 03353-0 JOCKS JOKER 17 (Mrs S Rees) J H Wilson 3-9-0 J Fanning 87
12 (17) 303108 ARC LAMP 10 (D,F,G) (E Bruce) J Glover 7-8-13 W Ryan 95
13 (13) 015014 KALAR 10 (B,D,F,G) (E Stockdale) D Chapman 4-8-12 S Wood 96
14 (8) 631436 KIMBOLTON KORKER 53 (D,G) (Classic Racing) J Balding 3-8-9 Claire Balding (7) 92
15 (12) 340050 CONVENIENT MOMENT 6 (D,G,S) (D Fish) J Berry 3-8-8 K Darley 86
16 (9) 261400 NORDOORA 7 (D,F) (D Young) J Hanson 4-8-7 G Strange (7) 94
17 (14) 360005 LEIGH CROFTER 7 (B,G) (P Cundell) P Cundell 4-8-6 G Hind 99
18 (5) 235200 BRIGHT PARAGON 18 (D,S) (D Cooper) H Collingridge 4-8-6 J Quinn 96

BETTING: 7-1 Arc Lamp, 8-1 Covent Garden Girl, Leigh Crofter, Saddlehome, 10-1 Admirals Realm, My Abbey, Simmie's Special, 12-1 Just Bob, Milbank Challenger, 14-1 Jess Rebec, Kalar, 16-1 Nordoora, 20-1 others.

1992: SAMSON-AGONISTES 6-9-7 S Sanders (9-1) B McMahon 15 ran

FORM FOCUS

JUST BOB 8¾l 5th of 20 to Sir Joey in a handicap at Ayr (5f, good to firm), with SIMMIE'S SPECIAL 2l 7th. MY ABBEY beat Manor Adventure 3l in a 10-runner handicap over course and distance on penultimate start (good to firm), with JUST BOB (11lb better off) 5l 7th. SIMMIE'S SPECIAL (11lb better off) 1¾l 8th and SO SUPERB (8lb better off) 2¾l last. COVENT GARDEN GIRL 2l 3rd of 8 to Highborn in a handicap at Southwell (AW, 6f, standard). SADDLEHOME ½l 3rd of 12 to Primula Bairn in a handicap at Doncaster (5f, soft), with KALAR a short-head 4th and ARC LAMP (3lb better off) 4l 6th. JESS REBEC 3l 3rd of 17 to Sylvan Starlight in a handicap at Yarmouth (6f, good), with BRIGHT PARAGON (1lb better off) 6¾l 11th. KALAR beat Le Chic 1¾l in a 17-runner handicap at Thirsk on penultimate start (5f, good to firm), with SADDLEHOME (7lb better off) 3l 5th and ARC LAMP (11lb better off) 2¾l 8th.
Selection: JESS REBEC

EDINBURGH

THUNDERER

2.15 Celestial Dance. 2.45 Miss Mah-Jong. 3.15 Jomove. 3.45 Colne Valley. 4.15 Albeit. 4.45 Kelimutu.

GOING: GOOD DRAW: 5F, LOW NUMBERS BEST

2.15 TOTE PLACEPOT CLAIMING STAKES
(2-Y-O: £1,605: 7f 15yd) (12 runners)

1 0300 LEGAL TRAIN 16 J Etherington 8-13 J Lowe 6
2 4600 TWO D'S 5 (F) M H Easterby 8-13 G Bardwell 12
3 6565 HELLABY 9 S Norton 8-11 T Williams 9
4 3053 WINGS AHEAD 6 T Fairhurst 8-11 B Rouse 4
5 243 BADGER'S BEND 11 (V) M Tompkins 8-8 Dale Gibson 5
6 6 RED MARCH HARE 14 Mrs A Swinbank 8-6 J Tate (5) 2
7 2340 SHUTTLECOCK 5 P Haslam 8-3 J Weaver 1
8 6300 BIEN CUIT 13 S Dow 8-2 N Kennedy (3) 8
9 2304 CELESTIAL DANCE 13 J Berry 8-2 J Carroll 10
10 JERSEY MONKEY J Berry 8-2 P Roberts (7) 11
11 160 ROCHE ABBEY 9 (G) M Johnston 8-1 E Johnson 3
12 0000 MAZINA 25 R Whitaker 7-12 D Wright (5) 7

11-4 Shuttlecock, 9-2 Celestial Dance, 5-1 Hellaby, 6-1 Badger's Bend, Jersey Monkey, 8-1 Roche Abbey, 12-1 Two D's, 14-1 Legal Train, 20-1 others.

2.45 GAYMERS OLDE ENGLISH CYDER NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £1,966: 7f 15yd) (8)

1 3213 MISS MAH-JONG 6 (CD,F,S) M Johnston 9-7 J Weaver 8
2 6244 WIXI 6 (B) M Tompkins 9-2 Dale Gibson 7
3 5550 UN PARFUM DE FEMME 42 J Pearce 8-9 G Bardwell 5
4 630 CRISTAL SPRINGS 17 A Harrison 8-2 T Williams 6
5 530 MONKEY WENCH 16 J Berry 7-10 P Fessey (7) 4
6 006 GLENLYON DUCHESS 24 Miss L Perratt 7-9 D Wright (5) 1
7 3000 BOJOLLY 18 J Etherington 7-7 N Kennedy (3) 2
8 0502 STORM HEIGHTS 5 M Brittain 7-7 J Lowe 3

5-2 Miss Mah-Jong, 4-1 Wixi, 5-1 Cristal Springs, 6-1 Bojolly, Monkey Wench, 8-1 Un Parfum De Femme, Storm Heights, 20-1 Glenlyon Duchess.

3.15 TOTE CREDIT MAIDEN HANDICAP
(£2,242: 7f 15yd) (10)

1 5005 PANTHER 3 J Hetherton 3-10-0 J Tate (5) 6
2 0480 VILLAVINA 27 S Dow 3-9-5 N Kennedy (3) 2
3 3020 GUESSTIMATION 24 J Pearce 4-9-3 G Bardwell 3
4 2005 HALL BANK COTTAGE 16 M Johnston 3-8-12 J Weaver 7
5 0600 SALVATORE GIULIANO 2 J Berry 3-8-10 J Carroll 4
6 0360 PINKERTON'S SILVER 23 M H Easterby 3-8-9 J Lowe 10
7 2426 JOMOVE 52 (BF) Mrs M Reveley 4-8-9 D Wright (5) 8
8 6606 THATCHED 10 (B) C Wall 3-8-4 T Williams 1
9 -406 SYKE LANE 23 R Whitaker 4-7-13 Dale Gibson 5
10 0200 SAINTED SUE 14 J Haldane 3-7-10 C Adamson (7) 9

3-1 Guesstimation, 4-1 Villavina, 6-1 Jomove, Pinkerton's Silver, 8-1 Panther, 10-1 Hall Bank Cottage, 12-1 others.

3.45 EBF TOTE DUAL FORECAST RATING RELATED MAIDEN STAKES
(2-Y-O fillies: £2,179: 5f) (6)

1 4506 BOLD TIME MONKEY 26 J Berry 8-11 Dale Gibson 6
2 300 CAPONATA 20 J Berry 8-11 J Carroll 3
3 2002 COLNE VALLEY 11 (V) R Johnson Houghton 8-11 T Williams 1
4 3366 DOCKYARD DORA 9 (B) M Brittain 9-11 G Bardwell 4
5 3000 HOTCROFT 5 R Whitaker 8-11 J Lowe 2
6 064 PAGODA 21 W Jarvis 8-11 J Weaver 5

2-1 Colne Valley, 5-2 Caponata, 3-1 Dockyard Dora, 7-1 Bold Time Monkey, Pagoda, 10-1 Hotcroft.

4.15 BELHAVEN BEST MAIDEN HANDICAP
(£2,242: 7f 15yd) (10)

1 0425 RUNRIG 3 (V) Miss L Perratt 3-10-0 R Havlin (7) 8
2 0636 FLYING WIND 46 (B) G Moore 4-9-12 B Rouse 1
3 60-0 PANIC BUTTON 40 M H Easterby 3-9-11 J Carroll 2
4 5600 GLIMPSE OF HEAVEN 7 R Whitaker 3-9-10 G Parkin (7) 4
5 0500 FESTIN 24 (B) P Haslam 3-9-9 J Weaver 3
6 0026 KILTROUM 3 (V,BF) C Tinkler 4-9-7 Dale Gibson 10
7 0020 VIKING WATERS 24 (B) B Beasley 3-9-5 J Tate (5) 6
8 0046 THISONESFORALICE 32 A Harrison 5-9-5 J Lowe 7
9 5040 DANCES WITH GOLD 16 M Johnston 3-9-0 E Johnson 9
10 3424 ALBEIT 42 C Thornton 3-8-13 T Williams 5

7-2 Albeit, 11-2 Flying Wind, 13-2 Viking Waters, Dances With Gold, Thisonesforalice, 7-1 Kiltroum, 8-1 Panic Button, 10-1 others.

4.45 BET WITH THE TOTE HANDICAP
(£2,008: 1m 4f 31yd) (11)

1 442- JUPITER MOON 114J (G) Mrs A Swinbank 4-9-10 T Williams 1
2 3013 AMERICAN HERO 3 (D,F) R Allan 5-9-9 J Weaver 2
3 6112 KELIMUTU 13 (F) J Pearce 4-8-12 G Bardwell 7
4 1360 ONE OFF THE RAIL 17 (D,G) A Moore 3-8-9 B Rouse 4
5 041- J P MORGAN 261J (V,CD,S) M Naughton 5-8-8 J Tate (5) 2
6 3115 CLIBURNEL NEWS 13 (C,F,G) M Tompkins 3-8-7 Dale Gibson 5
7 6236 CUTTHROAT KID 38 (V) S Norton 3-8-4 J Carroll 9
8 2205 MILNGAVIE 14 (D,F,S) M Johnston 3-8-1 E Johnson 11
9 3630 SHAROUAN 2 (F,G) M Brittain 6-7-13 J Lowe 10
10 0006 ASTRAC TRIO 25 (G) P Monteith 3-7-12 N Kennedy (3) 9
11 -300 MOONSHINE DANCER 31J Mrs M Reveley 3-7-8 D Wright (5) 6

4-1 Kelimutu, 5-1 American Hero, 6-1 Cliburnel News, 7-1 Cutthroat Kid, Milngavie, 8-1 Moonshine Dancer, One Off The Rail, Sharouan, 10-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: M H Tompkins, 9 winners from 21 runners, 42.9%; W Jarvis, 4 from 11, 36.4%; J Etherington, 5 from 19, 26.3%; J Berry, 37 from 168, 22.0%; P Haslam, 5 from 24, 20.8%; C Tinkler, 7 from 34, 20.6%.

JOCKEYS: J Tate, 3 winners from 8 rides, 37.5%; J Weaver, 11 from 38, 28.9%; J Carroll, 33 from 144, 22.9%. (Only qualifiers)

BLINKERED FIRST TIME: Edinburgh: 2.15 Badger's Bend 4.15 Runrig. Folkestone: 2.20 Saxon Magic 3.50 Milzig, Bayinnai. Pontefract: 2.40 State Tacoma, 3.40 Jean De Florette

NOTTINGHAM

THUNDERER

2.00 Nordan Raider. 2.30 Steadfast Elite. 3.00 Norma's Lady. 3.30 Jafeica. 4.00 Salatin. 4.30 Haroldon. 5.00 CHILD STAR (nap).

Newmarket Correspondent: 3.00 GNEISS (nap).

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT, SOFT IN PLACES SIS
DRAW: 6F 15YD, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

2.00 ARNOLD LIMITED STAKES
(£3,261: 6f 15yd) (11 runners)

1 5436 PEERAGE PRINCE 23 (B,C,D,F,G) Pat Mitchell 4-9-0 R Cochrane 6
2 0601 RICKY'S TORNADO 7 (D,S) J Parkes 4-9-0 M Roberts 9
3 1200 ROCA MURADA 11 (D,G,S) M Ryan 4-9-0 P McCabe (7) 4
4 0544 DISCO BOY 7 B McMahon 3-8-11 S Sanders (7) 10
5 3000 PLUM FIRST 18 (D,F,S) N Bycroft 3-8-11 Paul Eddery 11
6 5023 ANOTHER LANE 6 (F) J Wharton 6-8-9 J Quinn 1
7 1100 MY RUBY RING 9 (CD,F,G,S) D Laing 6-8-9 Stephen Davies (3) 3
8 0018 NORDAN RAIDER 34 (D,BF,F,S) M Camacho 5-8-9 N Connorton 5
9 6600 OUR RITA 89 (D,F,G,S) J Scargill 4-8-9 L Piggott 2
10 3324 CHILLY BREEZE 37 (D,G) M Prescott 3-8-6 G Duffield 7
11 0026 HAWAYAH 48 (BF,F) B Hodges 3-8-6 S Drowne (5) 8

3-1 Nordan Raider, 4-1 My Ruby Ring, 5-1 Another Lane, 6-1 others.

2.30 COLWICK NURSERY HANDICAP
(2-Y-O fillies: £3,598: 6f 15yd) (11)

1 066 POSSIBILITY 13 Mrs L Piggott 9-7 L Piggott 1
2 6011 SISTER SUSAN 25 (CD,G) R Hannon 9-6 M Roberts 7
3 1334 DANGEROUS SHADOW 17 (F) Mrs M Reveley 9-6 Darren Moffatt (5) 6
4 343 DOUCE MAISON 66 A Jarvis 9-4 T Quinn 4
5 620 MACAROON LADY 41 N Bycroft 9-2 G Duffield 2
6 6000 CHINA ROBIN 40 P Walwyn 9-2 Paul Eddery 11
7 065 TRYSAIL 38 J Glover 9-0 J Quinn 8
8 4320 WILLWIN 52 J Harris 8-13 J Williams 9
9 4600 LUNAR RHAPSODY 14 P Felgate 8-13 R Price 10
10 4542 STEADFAST ELITE 38 (S) J J O'Neill 8-10 W Carson 5
11 0000 SOTTISES 98 P Dalton 8-1 N Varley (7) 3

9-4 Sister Susan, 3-1 Dangerous Shadow, 9-2 Douce Maison, 6-1 others

3.00 LEVY BOARD MAIDEN STAKES
(2-Y-O: £4,225: 6f 15yd) (22)

1 00 AWS 51 T Thomson Jones 9-0 W Carson 4
2 0 BIX 23 M Leach 9-0 S Raymont 13
3 EVENING BRIGADIER P Murphy 9-0 G Duffield 19
4 2 GNEISS 18 Mrs J Cecil 9-0 Paul Eddery 3
5 JUST DUGGIE R Brotherton 9-0 R Price 18
6 L'AVENTURE Mrs J Pitman 9-0 T Rogers 1
7 0 PERTEMPS FLYER 32 B McMahon 9-0 T Quinn 12
8 0 SHIKAREE 37 M Pipe 9-0 A McGlone 8
9 0 THE WITCHBOY 17 G Pritchard-Gordon 9-0 W Hood 5
10 WADADA M Leach 9-0 O Pears (3) 11
11 WARHURST M Tompkins 9-0 S Mulvey (7) 21
12 0 WENLOCH LAD 47 J Peacock 9-0 T Wall 17
13 35 CELTIC CEILIDH 42 J Wharton 8-9 J Williams 9
14 CHANTELYS M Ryan 8-9 P McCabe (7) 14
15 0 DEAR SILVERS 17 A Forbes 8-9 R Perham 7
16 0 EFFICACY 16 A Jarvis 8-9 W R Swinburn 6
17 MISS NANUSHKA A Forbes 8-9 S D Williams (3) 16
18 NORMA'S LADY G Wragg 8-9 M Hills 20
19 0 PAB'S CHOICE 38 M McCormack 8-9 M Birch 2
20 0 SHARP FALCON 16 J Wharton 8-9 J Quinn 15
21 0 THE DEACONESS 13 Mrs A King 8-9 V Slattery (5) 22
22 TRYPANIS G Wragg 8-9 R Cochrane 10

4-5 Gneiss, 5-1 Norma's Lady, 8-1 Pertemps Flyer, Shikaree, 10-1 others

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: H Cecil, 28 winners from 68 runners, 41.2%; R Charlton, 8 from 21, 38.1%; L Cumani, 9 from 27, 33.3%; J Gosden, 10 from 36, 27.8%; M Stoute, 9 from 41, 22.0%; P Walwyn, 8 from 38, 21.1%.

JOCKEYS: L Piggott, 5 winners from 20 rides, 25.0%; W R Swinburn, 20 from 100, 20.0%; L Dettori, 23 from 125, 18.4%; W Carson, 35 from 195, 17.9%; R Cochrane, 15 from 100, 15.0%; T Quinn, 13 from 91, 14.3%.

3.30 EBF NOTTINGHAM MAIDEN STAKES
(2-Y-O colts & geldings: £4,807: 1m 54yd) (18)

1 00 ANZUM 56 D Nicholson 8-11 P McCabe (7) 2
2 BRIDE'S PRIDE G Ham 8-11 S Drowne (5) 15
3 0 BSHEER 110 B Hanbury 8-11 W R Swinburn 18
4 0 CONIC HILL 32 G Wragg 8-11 M Hills 4
5 5346 DUELLO 33 M Blanshard 8-11 J Quinn 10
6 0 ELSDON 45 M Tompkins 8-11 S Mulvey (7) 13
7 0 FAIR COURT 13 M Stoute 8-11 R Cochrane 8
8 0 FIGHTING SPIRIT 101 A Jarvis 8-11 M Birch 7
9 0 HAVE IT READY 24 J Dunlop 8-11 W Carson 3
10 042 JAFEICA 13 (BF) R Hannon 8-11 L Dettori 14
11 6 LOMOND MIST 34 F Whitaker 8-11 Paul Eddery 11
12 MARSH ARAB K White 8-11 J Williams 12
13 0 SADLER'S IMAGE 24 M Stoute 8-11 M Roberts 17
14 02 SHERMAN 18 H Thomson Jones 8-11 L Piggott 9
15 0 SILENCE IN COURT 10 B McMahon 8-11 R Price 6
16 UNBELIEVABLE N Wright 8-11 G Duffield 5
17 5 VIRTUAL REALITY 24 A Hide 8-11 A McGlone 1
18 WAITING P Cole 8-11 T Quinn 16

11-4 Jafeica, 4-1 Sadler's Image, 5-1 Virtual Reality, 6-1 Waiting, 8-1 others.

4.00 TRENT CONDITIONS STAKES
(£3,143: 1m 1f 213yd) (6)

1 113- SPEAKER'S HOUSE 422 (F,S) P Cole 4-9-4 T Quinn 5
2 3132 BLUE LION 35 (D,BF,F) G Wragg 3-9-2 M Roberts 1
3 2013 ICY SOUTH 10 (D,F,S) J Gosden 3-9-0 L Dettori 4
4 1 COUNT OF FLANDERS 13 (D,F) M Stoute 3-8-12 W R Swinburn 3
5 3442 SALATIN 18 (BF,G) P Walwyn 3-8-12 W Carson 6
6 6240 MAGIQUE ROND POINT 55 (G) H Cecil 3-8-6 A McGlone 2

5-2 Salatin, 3-1 Count Of Flanders, 4-1 Blue Lion, 5-1 Icy South, 6-1 others.

4.30 GELDING HANDICAP
(£4,371: 1m 1f 213yd) (23)

1 2405 ELAINE TULLY 40 (G) M Heaton-Ellis 5-10-0 L Dettori 19
2 -400 FRONTIER FLIGHT 38 (G) R Charlton 3-9-11 S Raymont 15
3 0-21 DESERT POWER 65 (D,G) D Burchell 4-9-11 V Slattery (5) 2
4 0-43 NORTHERN BRED 27 (BF) L Cumani 3-9-10 R Cochrane 18
5 0241 HAROLDON 14 (CD,F,G) B Palling 4-9-9 P McCabe (7) 9
6 0133 SURREY DANCER 19 (D,F,G,S) Mrs M Reveley 5-9-6 Darren Moffatt (5) 10
7 2364 AWESTRUCK 9J (BF,F,G,S) B Preece 3-9-5 T Wall 17
8 201 BAG OF TRICKS 21 (D,G) S Dow 3-9-5 T Quinn 1
9 -502 LIGHT HAND 44 (D,BF,F,G,S) M Tompkins 7-9-2 S Mulvey (7) 5
10 1540 DREAMS ARE FREE 33 (D,S) H Cecil 3-9-0 A McGlone 20
11 3310 ATHERTON GREEN 16 (D,F) J Glover 3-9-0 J Williams 14
12 3430 BOLD ACRE 6 (S) D Burchell 3-9-0 R Price 21
13 0500 WESTHOLME 30 (D,F,S) M H Easterby 5-8-11 M Birch 16
14 0661 QUANTITY SURVEYOR 28 (V,C,G,S) M Prescott 4-8-10 G Duffield 22
15 2430 I'M A DREAMER 26 (D,F,G) W Haigh 3-8-10 S D Williams (3) 13
16 2000 SWIFT SILVER 10 (D,G,S) W Musson 6-8-10 W R Swinburn 6
17 0004 STOPPROVERITATE 19 (G,S) S Norton 4-8-3 Paul Eddery 3
18 4004 ROMOLA NIJINSKY 2J (D,S) P Evans 5-8-8 C Hodgson (3) 23
19 5003 MYSILV 6 (C,S) C Wall 3-8-7 W Carson 11
20 0061 GOLD BLADE 13 (D,F,G) N Graham 4-8-6 M Roberts 7
21 6-00 FAIRY FREE 18 C Brittain 4-8-5 L Piggott 12
22 2252 VANBOROUGH LAD 9 (G,S) M Haynes 4-8-5 M Hills 8
23 1200 RAGGERTY 49 (D,S) G Moore 3-8-2 F Norton 4

5-1 Northern Bred, 6-1 Gold Blade, 7-1 Surrey Dancer, 8-1 Haroldon, 10-1 others.

5.00 CARLTON HANDICAP (£3,727: 2m 9yd) (20)

1 424- NORTHERN KINGDOM 366 (G) S Norton 4-10-0 Stephen Davies (3) 14
2 1106 FIVE TO SEVEN 79 (CD,G,S) C Norton 4-10-0 O Pears (3) 2
3 0220 BALLY KNIGHT 45 (D,F) D Morris 7-9-10 C Hodgson (3) 16
4 6012 USK THE WAY 25 (D,BF,G) H Cecil 3-9-8 A McGlone 8
5 P0-0 GO SOUTH 157 (CD,F,G,S) J Jenkins 9-9-6 T Quinn 7
6 0330 QAFFAL 11 (F) D Morley 3-9-3 W Carson 15
7 3041 GUESTWICK 11 (F) J Dunlop 3-9-3 L Dettori 3
8 402- KAUSAR 230J (D,G) G Moore 6-9-1 Paul Eddery 10
9 100/ MYSTICAL GUEST 822J (G) J Bosnock 7-9-1 R Price 1
10 0505 DUPLICATE 26 (BF,G) M H Easterby 3-9-0 M Birch 5
11 036- CLASSIC STATEMENT 10J R Lee 7-8-12 M Roberts 12
12 /15/ AUTHORSHIP 191J (D,F) W Musson 7-8-10 W R Swinburn 20
13 0063 BEAU QUEST 54 (B,C,F,G) B Cambidge 6-8-7 G Duffield 11
14 -000 CHARMED LIFE 39 (G) P Leach 4-8-7 V Slattery (5) 4
15 0050 CHILD STAR 31 (CD,G,S) D Marks 4-8-6 R Cochrane 17
16 606- MISS MARIGOLD 172J R Hodges 4-8-1 S Drowne (5) 6
17 6220 MANON LESCAUT 65 A Jarvis 3-7-13 N Adams 9
18 1034 KOVALEVSKIA 86 (D,F,S) D Wilson 8-7-12 Sharon Millard (7) 19
19 4513 SIDE BAR 26 (B,C,F) M Ryan 3-7-11 18
20 4446 GREY COMMANDER 26 (V,G) M Brittain 5-7-7 Darren Moffatt (5) 13

5-1 Guestwick, 6-1 Usk The Way, Manon Lescaut, 8-1 Child Star, 10-1 others.

Keepers of the faith losing hands down to clodhoppers


Gerrard: nightmare game



Simon Barnes watches Oldham fall victim to a rule made to turn goalkeepers into clowns

How glad I am that I gave up goalkeeping when I did. While most of my former team-mates share my gladness. I know they will not understand. How can they, not being goalkeepers themselves?

But the game of football is administered by outfielders, clodhoppers who do not understand the high and lonely destiny of the goalkeeper. "I was less the keeper of a goal than the keeper of a secret," Vladimir Nabokov, one of history's great goalies, said.

Which brings us to Paul Gerrard, who kept goal for Oldham Athletic against Tottenham Hotspur on Saturday. Gerrard conceded goals in the sixth, seventh and eighth minutes of the game and each goal was 100 per cent his fault. He also let in goals in the 62nd and 86th minutes to round things off: 5-0. Ouch.

But Gerrard is not a bad keeper at all, capped eight times at under-21 level last season. "He is a good keeper," Ossie Ardiles, the Tottenham manager, said. "These things happen once in a time." Especially to a young keeper; especially to a keeper in a game run by clodhoppers.

The first goal was the sort of routine disaster that all goalkeepers know and dread. They all have them; the best just have fewer. A walloping diagonal shot from Campbell, Gerrard did not hold it and Sedgely won the race to poke the ball home. But after that, Gerrard fell foul of the dreaded back-pass rule: that much-praised innovation that insists that keepers must turn themselves into clodhoppers.

Goalkeepers must now kick back-passes instead of picking them up. To deny a goalkeeper the opportunity of handling the ball in his own area seems to me a denial of basic human rights. I do not see how an aimless whack upfield makes for beautiful and constructive football.

But Gerrard got a back-pass under pressure and whacked it, alas, straight to Sheringham, who tucked the ball away. And a minute later, Gerrard had a back-pass under pressure and he whacked it again. Oh dear. Sheringham tucked the ball away again. It was the stuff of nightmares.

The other goals were just goals: Durie from a Sheringham cross and Dozzell from a Caskey cross, and no blame attached, at least not to Gerrard. But as a lapsed goalie, I feel nothing but sorrow for Gerrard; nothing but irritation at football's clodhopping rule-makers.

It seems there is a vast conspiracy to make monkeys out of goalkeepers. If that seems ever so slightly paranoid, that is because all goalkeepers know that the world really is out to get them.

The rule-makers lead the charge but the kit-makers come a close second. Poor Gerrard was clad in an outfit that might have been used as a tablecloth for a three-year-old's birthday party. Keepers should rebel and wear their own kit. Why not a green jersey and a flat cap?

Rules now insist that goalkeepers must now trap the ball with their feet and kick. This destroys the beauty and the mystery of the goalkeeper's role. In cricket, the wicketkeeper became a bits-and-pieces man: a batsman in gauntlets. Now goalies must become Alec Stewarts: mere competent all-rounders.

The back-pass rule was brought in to combat negative play. But most of the truly appalling negative play comes in knockout competitions and it is called Playing for Penalties. It is not the back-passing that is wrong but the absurd and utterly destructive penalties rule. Penalties ruined the last World Cup and will ruin the next.

Anyone who has ever kicked a ball or raised a glass in a pub can think of five better ways of settling a drawn match: methods that involve football rather than inanity.

But football's rulers are too blind to see the beauties of their own game and so they destroy them. Blinded by tight television schedules, and the crassness of television people who like penalty shoot-outs, always forgetting that penalties must follow two hours of dreadful play. That is why they have interfered with the sacred mysteries of the goalkeeper's role and undermined the balance of the game.

Alas, poor Gerrard; I wish him well. But his day of disaster at least cheered up Tottenham, on a day when the Terry Venables Affair was renamed the Terry Venables Scandal.

Whatever the rights and wrongs of this business, the fact is that dodgy financial dealings cling to football like fleas on a dog and have done since time and football began. But the rule-makers' decision to turn the goalie into a clodhopper in a clown's outfit — this is too much.

TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR (1-10): E Thorstvedt — D Austin (sub: D Caskey, 73min), C Calderwood (sub: P Moran, 87), G Mabbutt, S Campbell, G Durie, J Dozzell, V Samways, S Sedgley, E Sheringham, D Anderton.
OLDHAM ATHLETIC (1-10): P Gerrard — C Fleming, R Jobson, S Redmond, G Halle, M Brennan, M Milligan, P Bernard, N Henry, I Olney, A Ritchie (sub: G Sharpe, 46).
Referee: A Gunn.

Norwich able to live with wasted chances

Alyson Rudd relishes a sporting four-goal treat served up by two of the smaller clubs in the upper echelons

WHAT a difference playing in Europe makes. Norwich City were able to leave this splendid 2-2 draw with a cheeky shrug. They should have won but chance after chance was squandered.

It was evident that Norwich had emerged from their comprehensive victory over Vitesse Arnhem in midweek confident and keen. Onlookers might have been forgiven for thinking that Queens Park Rangers, not Norwich, had had the weight of a Uefa Cup-tie fixture on Wednesday to carry.

Norwich, particularly in the first half, dominated the midfield and often had their sluggish opponents on the run, one such period culminating in the own goal by McDonald that gave them the lead in the 25th minute.

Having finished fifth and third respectively last season, Rangers and Norwich have begun this season stressing that they do not expect to be serious title contenders. That is regrettable since this was a game of pacy, open attacking play with no bookings and no sense on either side of the need for hard men.

Rangers contributed to this in no small way and the skill of Sinclair enabled him to force their 33rd-minute equaliser after he had combined well with Penrice.

The difficulties-of-a-small-club theme is one Gerry Francis, the Rangers manager, has had recourse to time and again. After Norwich's visit, he wondered how long Mike Walker, his Norwich counterpart, would have been able to hold on to England internationals, had he inherited any.

"They've got a good squad together and they've been able to keep them together," Francis said. "They haven't got any England internationals at the moment and, for Mike's sake, I hope it stays that way."

The tireless and unselfish Fox remains, astonishingly, untroubled by international attention. More than once he escaped with the ball from the close attentions of the Rangers midfield and it was his tenacity that led to Eadie, playing his first full game, scoring Norwich's second goal in the 39th minute.

But, as a reminder to Francis that international forwards can bring relief as well as discomfort, Ferdinand connected with a Wilkins chip to give Rangers their 83rd-minute equaliser.

Two minutes from time, Ekoku, Norwich's £750,000 signing from Bournemouth, set off on a dazzling run and would have given Norwich victory but for a fine save by Stejskal. Presumably wasted chances like that are, in the difficulties-of-a-small-club philosophy, a godsend and will keep the promising Nigerian at Carrow Road, free to produce stunning volleys of the kind that helped to overcome Vitesse.

QUEENS PARK RANGERS (4-4-2): J Stejskal — D Bardsley, D Peacock, A McDonald, C Wilson — A Impey, R Wilkins, S Barker, T Sinclair — L Ferdinand, G Penrice.
NORWICH CITY (4-4-2): B Gunn — J Culverhouse, R Newman, J Polston, M Bowen — R Fox, J Gosse, I Crook, D Eadie — E Ekoku, C Sutton.
Referee: R Milford.

Liverpool's plight highlighted by ruthless Everton

Peter Ball watches as Souness's troubles are compounded by a listless performance in Merseyside derby

ANYONE attracted to Goodison Park by visions of mayhem, after Liverpool reacted to the fracas with Blackburn Rovers last week by signing Julian Dicks, was disappointed.

Instead, two other former West Ham United players dictated events, Mark Ward and Tony Cottee scoring the goals as Everton won a most unusual Merseyside derby much more comprehensively than the 2-0 scoreline suggests.

Liverpool have now lost four out of the last five games. More worryingly for Graeme Souness, their manager, was that they were lacking real spirit. "We were second to everything," he said.

He did not exaggerate. Perhaps all the bad publicity of the week had inhibited them but, instead of revealing themselves red in tooth and claw, Liverpool were more like slow, elderly and well-behaved tabby cats to Everton's lean and hungry terriers.

The tone was set in the first ten minutes. By the time it was up, Everton had had two players spoken to, and one, Ebbrell, booked. The midfield battle had been comprehensively won, even though Whelan and Redknapp later went into the book for belated resistance. By then, Everton were sweeping forward with some delightful one-touch football at high speed.

"I never thought I'd see the day when Horne, Ward and Ebbrell dominated a Liverpool midfield," one Liverpool follower said sadly, but thus it was. Horne even winning over his critics at Goodison with his best game for the club.

"He had a difficult start getting accepted," Howard Kendall said. "It's the school of science. They like to see midfield players putting their foot on the ball and hitting defence-splitting passes but, in this 100 miles an hour football, it just shows the advantage you get from someone willing to work hard and put their foot in and win the ball."

With Everton channelling almost everything down the left, where Beagrie and Hinchcliffe tormented Nicol, Dicks hardly made a tackle, let alone a "tackle", to use the professional euphemism. Instead, he revealed his cultured side, passing and crossing the ball well and hitting the only potent shot Southall faced all afternoon.

But even aside from his share of responsibility for Everton's second goal, as Cottee robbed him and beat Wright and Grobbelaar to end Liverpool's second-half recovery, whether Dicks deserved the accolade of "outstanding" from Souness is questionable. Liverpool's only outstanding player was Grobbelaar, who made two exceptional saves and was blameless for both goals, if not for his reaction to the first, when he exchanged slaps with McManaman in Liverpool's most spirited moment of the afternoon.

The genesis of the goal was riddled with error. The totally ineffectual Walters sliced a clearance to give away a corner; Hinchcliffe hit in a poor corner, McManaman cleared weakly for Ward to pounce and flash the ball past Grobbelaar, leaving the goalkeeper fuming on his 34th appearance against Everton, a Merseyside derby record.

"The reason I went to him [McManaman] was that all he had to do was put it out of play," Grobbelaar, still angry, said. "It's a professional league, you do things the simplest way, and the simplest thing was to put it out for a corner."

His reaction seemed excessive but it emerged that his frustration extended beyond the humiliation on Saturday to Liverpool's recent form. "It's getting to me now," he said. "They wanted it more than we did and that's the top and bottom of it. Where's the passion? If people don't want to play for Liverpool, they should jump in the Mersey."

One or two may soon be tempted to. "There will be changes on Wednesday," Souness promised. "We've got to sort it out and make sure it doesn't happen again."

EVERTON (4-4-2): N Southall — P Holmes, M Jackson, G Ablett, A Hinchcliffe — M Ward, S Horne, J Ebbrell, P Beagrie (sub: P Radosavljevic, 80min) — A Cottee, P Rideout.
LIVERPOOL (4-4-2): B Grobbelaar — S Nicol, M Wright, N Ruddock, J Dicks — S McManaman (sub: P Stewart, 64), R Whelan, J Redknapp, M Walters (sub: R Rosenthal, 62) — N Clough, I Rush.
Referee: D Elleray

IAN STEWART


Walters, the Liverpool winger, is sent flying by the challenge of Everton's Jackson at Goodison Park

PREMIERSHIP AT A GLANCE

		Played	Points	Goal diff	Recent form
1	Manchester Utd	8	19	+11	WLWWW
2	Arsenal	8	16	+5	LWDWW
3	Aston Villa	8	15	+5	WDWWL
4	Everton	8	15	+4	WWLLL
5	Tottenham	8	14	+6	WDDLW
6	Coventry	8	14	+5	WDWDD
7	Blackburn	8	14	+2	LWDDW
8	Leeds	8	13	-2	WWWLL
9	Liverpool	8	12	+6	LLLWL
10	Wimbledon	7	12	+3	WWDLD
11	Norwich	8	12	+3	DLDDW
12	Ipswich	8	11	-1	LLDDL
13	Chelsea	8	10	+1	DWDDW
14	Newcastle	8	10	+1	DWDDW
15	QPR	8	10	-4	DLWWL
16	Manchester City	7	8	+1	WWDLL
17	Sheffield Utd	8	8	-4	LDLDW
18	West Ham	8	8	-6	WDLLW
19	Sheffield Wed	8	6	-5	WLDDL
20	Oldham	8	5	-10	LLLDD
21	Southampton	8	3	-7	LLLLW
22	Swindon	8	3	-14	DDLDL

Weekly change: Up — Stayed the same — Down

Heavy burden thrust on Hoddle

Keith Pike on how Coventry and Chelsea left Highfield Road crowd feeling short-changed

SHIRT-SLEEVE weather, a thin crowd and an uninspiring, inconclusive match: there may be four-fifths of the FA Carling Premiership programme to go, but there was a sterile, almost end-of-season air at Highfield Road on Saturday.

Perhaps too much is now being expected of Coventry City and Chelsea, who both seemed satisfied with their part in a 1-1 draw that never set the pulses racing. Glenn Hoddle's arrival at Stamford Bridge has, especially, fuelled expectations of the darker blues that are unrealistic.

Deserved though last Saturday's victory over Manchester United was, the champions' first defeat for 17 matches has simply added to the pressure on Hoddle. Chelsea are an attractive side, their patient passing game easy on the eye, but they have not been transformed into genuine championship contenders overnight. They still lack penetration and still depend too much on the player-manager himself for inspiration.

Hoddle's influence on Chelsea had not gone unnoticed by the Coventry manager, Bobby Gould, who said he had decided to man-mark both him and Wise.

McGrath never let Wise wander out of tackling range until he was injured, but quite who had been deputed to shadow Hoddle was not explained. Neither was it obvious.

Ndlovu was booked in the first half for a late challenge on Hoddle, but generally he was able to do much as he pleased, and Coventry could be grateful that his renowned long passing was not up to its usual quality.

Hoddle and Wise both had minor roles to play in Chelsea's goal, the first bright moment of a match already 36 minutes old. The most telling part, though, came from Newton, whose diagonal ball towards the penalty spot was cleverly seized on by Peacock for his fourth goal of the season.

Coventry, with the pace of Ndlovu and Williams, Wegerle's capacity for the unexpected and the emerging talents of Boland and Babb, also have much going for them.

They went into the match as the only unbeaten side in the Premiership and, having extended that run to eight games, have established a sequence not bettered by the club since the start of the 1936-7 season. Yet the gate was 1,500 down on Coventry's average, a figure that suggests that their supporters do not yet take talk of a tilt at the title seriously. Quinn has not scored since an opening day hat-trick at Highbury and wasted three fine chances on Saturday alone, the first after just 90 seconds.

Ndlovu, too, missed a couple of openings, and Coventry were eventually indebted to Morgan's first goal for the club, a shot on the turn after Wegerle's corner had dropped kindly for him.

COVENTRY CITY (3-5-2): S Ogrizovic — P Atherton, D Rennie, P Babb — J Williams, R Wegerle, L McGrath (sub: A Sheridan, 58min), W Boland, S Morgan — M Quinn, P Ndlovu.
CHELSEA (3-4-1-2): D Kharine — F Sinclair, G Hoddle, J Kjeldberg — S Clarke, E Newton, M Donaghy, A Dow — D Wise — N Shipperley (sub: J Spencer, 74), G Peacock.
Referee: P Durkin.

Three wise men for one hard man

Christopher Irvine sees West Ham's new signings make important contributions to an unexpected victory against Blackburn

THREE into one did West Ham United just fine. Amid the cacophony of their travelling army at Ewood Park, there was not a murmur of protest over the departing player, Dicks. The debuts of Messrs Chapman, Marsh and Burrows, in slicing apart Blackburn Rovers, bode nicely indeed.

After a controlled and surprisingly confident 2-0 victory on Saturday, the East Enders are no longer the dead-enders they might have appeared thus far in the FA Carling Premiership.

In a rare moment of ebullience, Billy Bonds, the West Ham manager, said: "Superb ... great football ... we outclassed them at times."

His side is an infuriating concoction of good passing and ideas and poor application, usually anyway. With three wise men for one hard man, has the worm turned? Chapman — "This is club number ten and, hopefully, my last" — still bears gifts and did not spurn the one presented to him by a foul-up between Berg and the goalkeeper, Mimms, in the Blackburn penalty box. Elsewhere, Marsh and Burrows wore the old Liverpool tie with aplomb.

Bonds may have cast off a local hero but he is proving an astute gambler with his few chips. As impressive as Burrows was in filling the ample boots of Dicks at left back, Rowland, a snatch at £110,000 from Bournemouth, outshone everyone, demonstrating that left-footers can profit at right back as the frustrated and frequently dispossessed Wilcox will testify.

There was an element of good fortune, in so far as Blackburn can rarely have finished so poorly, but wholehearted commitment and a passing game that neatly threads from the back four, through an astute and pacy midfield, to the front two was deservedly rewarded with a second smartly-worked goal.

Having only been introduced to their team-mates on the coach up, the new bloods, nonetheless, coursed through a West Ham side always dangerous on the break. With their opponents back-pedalling, Rowland swung in a looping cross from the right that Morley, unmarked in the six-yard box, met with a glancing header to open his season's account.

Without a goal in five of their seven previous matches, the introduction from Portsmouth of the wiseacre Chapman, with his ability to shield the ball as well as scoring prowess, may be the stimulus Morley needs and for the busy Gordon to begin paying back his £750,000 summer transfer from Rangers.

The expensive class of Blackburn will, surely, out in the final analysis but theirs was a crass display of missed opportunity, when they had the chance of briefly leading the Premiership, as well as misplaced optimism.

Shearer, making a sixth appearance as substitute, failed where Warhurst, Newell and Wilcox had before while Miklosko's feet, in spite of a broken toe, were were used to good effect in the West Ham goal.

Dalglish was a shade churlish about the visitors' performance. "They played neatly but didn't pose that much of a threat. Sometimes you get games like that where you know you're best and get punished for it rather than a result," he said.

Any injuries? Dalglish was asked. "No," came the terse reply, "only to pride."

BLACKBURN ROVERS (4-4-2): R Mimms — H Berg, D May, K Moran (sub: N Marker, 72min), G Le Saux — S Ripley, T Sherwood, P Warhurst, J Wilcox (sub: A Shearer, 55) — K Gallacher, M Newell.
WEST HAM UNITED (4-4-2): L Miklosko — N Rowland, A Gale, S Potts, D Burrows — I Bishop, M Holmes, M Marsh (sub: M Allen, 87), D Gordon — T Morley, L Chapman.
Referee: K Hackett

Swindon call upon saving grace

Russell Kempson finds optimism in plentiful supply at the County Ground despite a start that threatens a season of unrelieved struggle

THE County Ground's new press room, though smartly decorated for life in the big league, resembles a chapel of rest. It is narrow to the point of being claustrophobic, with a dais at the front and small antechamber at the back. "Dearly beloved, we are gathered here today to pray for Swindon's chances of staying in the FA Carling Premiership," a cynic intoned from the lectern.

Swindon Town will need all the help they can muster if they are to survive among the elite. Nestled at the bottom of the table, and the only premier club without a victory, they are already staring at a slog of a season. A 2-2 draw against Newcastle United on Saturday, salvaged from a 2-0 half-time deficit, only emphasised their shortcomings.

Not that they are dispirited. "Don't write us off just yet," John Gorman, the Swindon manager, said. "The good thing is that we never stop passing the ball whatever the situation and we are always going to create chances." Optimism is positively rife in the Swindon camp. John Moncur, the midfield player, said: "We've been criticised for not having enough character but we disproved that today." Steve White, the striker: "There were a lot of pluses for us." Micky Hazard, the midfield motivator: "Once we get our first win, I'm sure we'll start to pick up a few more points."

Even Kevin Keegan, the Newcastle manager, had encouraging words. "They are a super footballing side and are not going to be the pushovers everyone thinks," he said.

Swindon *do* play nice football, a legacy of the Ardiles and Hoddle years in Wiltshire and dutifully carried on by Gorman. Hazard, now 33, still sweeps passes to all corners and Ling scurries incessantly.

Swindon *do* possess heart, character and determination. Second-half goals from Ling and Mutch redressed Bodin's 41st-minute penalty miss. Digby, their goalkeeper, atoned for allowing Clark's shot to pass him at the near post with a string of acrobatic saves.

Yet for all their admirable qualities, and the fact they will enhance many a Premiership match in the months ahead, there is a glaring lack of the necessary class to retain their cherished place. Defensive frailty, with centre backs of dubious pace and full backs too adventurous for their own good, will further hamper their progress.

Newcastle, also newcomers to the leading stage, have no such worries. Keegan will have to wait a while before parading around Tyneside in an open-top bus but, unlike Gorman, he has potential in abundance. Clark, 20, a pugnacious midfield player, and Cole, 21, a livewire forward, are already spoken of in revered tones.

Cole failed to add to his five goals on Saturday yet could have had several. One piece of wizardry, in which he twice fell over yet still outwitted three Swindon defenders and forced a fine stop from Digby, had Keegan purring. "I thought Paul Daniels was involved. It was amazing what he did," he said.

Allen, scorer of a 44th-minute penalty, also chipped delicately on to the crossbar and Beardsley, restored to health after a pre-season brush with Neil Ruddock, gently prompted his young team-mates. Newcastle will prosper, eventually, but Swindon will struggle. Beloved bretheren, let us now pray.

SWINDON TOWN (3-2-1-2-3): F Digby — A Whitbread, S Taylor — L Nijholt, P Bodin — M Hazard — M Ling (sub: S Fenwick, 83min), J Moncur — N Summerbee, J A Fjortoft, A Mutch (sub: S White, 74).
NEWCASTLE UNITED (4-4-2): T Wright — S Watson, B Venison, K Scott, J Barnsford — R Lee, L Clark, P Bracewell, P Beardsley — A Cole, M Allen.
Referee: H King.

Forest find no answer to strength of Stein

Nottingham Forest 2
Stoke City 3

By Dennis Shaw

FOLLOWING Brian Clough as manager of Nottingham Forest was never going to be easy. But it might prove harder even than Frank Clark, his successor, must have feared when he succeeded the City Ground legend.

Respectability was only added to a scoreline, which could have been far worse, by a two-goal revival after impressive Stoke had taken a 3-0 lead in 49 minutes.

By demonstrating that they do, at least, have a modicum of their former pride, Forest contributed to an entertaining Midlands derby after it had threatened to become embarrassingly one-sided.

In the absence of Tiler and Cooper, both injured, Forest's defence was third-rate, with the emergency centre-back partnership of Blatherwick and Chettle unable to cope with Regis and Stein. The three goals they scored between them — two by Stein, the division's leading scorer — were all generously assisted by defensive ineptitude.

None of this was lost on the diehards at the River Trent end, who gave their team a prolonged rendering of "What a load of rubbish" as they disappeared into the tunnel 2-0 down at half-time.

Stoke went ahead in the sixteenth minute when a challenge from Blatherwick was easily brushed aside by the powerful Regis after a headed touch-on by Stein. As Crossley advanced, Regis steered the ball past him.

Ten minutes on, it was Chettle's failure to clear that caused further tremors of panic and Stone sent Gynn sprawling; Stein drove in the resultant penalty hard and low.

Forest's work going forward against a far more competent side was no more impressive. Collymore and Rosario were paired together for the first time in a home league game but the former Coventry City player was withdrawn injured at half-time.

Collymore, who has assured fans that he is no "£2 million misfit", failed miserably with his one clear chance, ballooning it over the bar between Stoke's second and third goals.

Three minutes into the second half, Stoke put the match out of Forest's reach. Again, the darting Stein was the aggressor, his firm volley beating Crossley after Gynn had flicked on a back-pass by Orlygsson. It was Stein's ninth goal of the season and his 48th in the league since Stoke bought him from Oxford United for a bargain £100,000.

On this kind of predatory form, that fee will continue to multiply as Premiership clubs such as Tottenham Hotspur and Chelsea wait for his contract in the Potteries to expire at the season's end.

Lou Macari, the Stoke mananger, made it clear that Stein is not yet for sale. "Stein is not going anywhere," he said. "He is under contract and he can't expect to change the rules just because he wants a few more bob. Any interested clubs will have to wait until his contract is up."

Forest were well served by Phillips, their capture from Norwich City at a tribunal-set fee of £600,000; money well spent without a doubt. But the inspiration to fight back came from Pearce. His 20-yard free kick for the second goal fired brief hopes that Forest might get an equaliser, Phillips having netted Forest's first within a minute of Stoke's third after good work by Collymore.

Clark, though, was understandably dissatisfied. "I'm not at all happy," he said. "We made bad mistakes for all three goals but, after that, our performance was better. You can't expect praise from the fans when you are 2-0 down at half-time."


Stein: staying at Stoke

NOTTINGHAM FOREST (4-4-2): M Crossley — D Little, S Blatherwick, S Chettle, S Pearce — S Stone, D Phillips, L Glover, I Woan — S Collymore, R Rosario (sub: S Gemmill, 45min).
STOKE CITY (4-4-2): M Prudhoe — I Clarkson, V Overson, I Cranson, L Sandford — T Orlygsson, S Foley, M Gynn (sub: K Lowe, 54), N Gleghorn — M Stein, D Regis.
Referee: K Lupton.

HUGH ROUTLEDGE

Gynn, of Stoke, attempts to thread his way between Rosario, left, and Lyttle at the City Ground yesterday

Bournemouth slow down at last

Peter Robinson watches a poverty-stricken second division club lose for the first time this season after nine league and cup games

IT WAS a scene that has already been played in almost every manager's office in the country: the sullen faces, wistful stares and heavy silence, broken only by forced flurries of conversation that expired almost as soon as they began, greeting a team's first defeat of the season.

The remarkable thing was that it happened at Bournemouth on Saturday, in the middle of September, nine games in League and Cup after the campaign got under way. It nearly never happened there at all.

This year could have been Bournemouth's last year. By rights, it probably should have been and the club that began its first season as Boscombe FC in the Bournemouth and District Junior League in 1899 would have joined the small and sad list of clubs condemned to bankruptcy and oblivion.

Horrendous debts brought the club to its knees last season and, for once, the statistics tell the whole story. The club was £2.6 million in debt, had a playing staff of more than 30, an annual wage bill of £1.2 million, crowds of 3,500 and falling, with interest on the club's overdraft adding another £400,000 to the burden each year.

At one stage, no wages were paid for six weeks. The atmosphere at Dean Court, Bournemouth's ageing but amiable little ground that fits like a potting shed in the corner of a local park, was on the grim side of gloomy.

Yet Bournemouth, obeying the law that says football clubs survive even when logic says they should not, pulled back from the brink.

The chairman, Norman Hayward, stepped in to pay the wages himself and ordered a pruning operation in the potting shed that the club's manager, Tony Pulis, set about with gusto. The squad was trimmed to 17, £1.2 million was raised in transfer fees and the few newcomers were signed for very little or, preferably, nothing. Bournemouth were up and running again.

Until Saturday's unexpected 2-1 defeat by Cambridge United, they were running rather nicely. Unbeaten, playing attractive football, they were among the pacesetters in the second division. Then they spluttered, conceded two goals for the first time this season and Pulis and his assistant, David Williams, sat in a mild state of shock in their cramped cubby hole under the main stand and pondered where it had all gone wrong.

A glaring miss in the first couple of minutes by Fletcher, a huge centre forward, was a bad start.

A mighty 20-yard drive from Claridge, a Steve Bull lookalike once of Bournemouth now with Cambridge, was another low point and though Cotterill rolled in an equaliser before half-time, Rowett restored the lead four minutes after the break. Another bad miss, by the busy O'Connor, and the game was lost. Seven minutes of injury time only prolonged the agony.

Faced with a similar problem, Kenny Dalglish would probably say the club needs a new forward and go out and buy one. Pulis cannot and he and Williams — the former Norwich City coach, and old friend and probably his most astute signing to date — must make do and mend. Tomorrow night, Dalglish and Blackburn Rovers will discover how successful they have been.

BOURNEMOUTH (4-4-2): V Bartram — A Pennock, A Watson, M Morris, N Masters — R Beardsmore (sub: P Wood, 55min), W Aspinall (sub: C Leadbitter, 79), J Parkinson, M O'Connor — S Fletcher, S Cotterill.
CAMBRIDGE UNITED (5-3-2): J Filan — G Rowett (sub: M Hyde, 19), D O'Shea, A Jeffrey, L Dash, D Barrick — J Fowler, G Clayton, M Cheetham — S Claridge, S Butler.
Referee: R Groves.

Gough brings more pain to Scottish FA

Clough and Gough, by their own acounts, each nourished a momentary anticipation that Andy Roxburgh's resignation as Scotland coach might open a window of opportunity. Brian Clough, never summoned to lead England, wondered whether the Scots might turn to him as the Irish had looked to Charlton, so that another wilfully eccentric English manager could ignite a revival of football fortune on the Celtic fringe.

Richard Gough, having declared in May that he would not play for Scotland again so long as Roxburgh was in charge, announced he would be available for selection once more should Craig Brown, Scotland's interim manager, feel inclined to include him in the squad, say, for the meeting with Italy in Rome next month.

When it was pointed out to the Rangers captain that his condemnation of Roxburgh extended to Brown in his role as assistant coach, Gough replied that he was prepared to accept a defence by Brown that he had only been obeying orders.

The effect of this magnanimity was marred slightly by Gough's subsequent assertion that Brown should have resigned in tandem with Roxburgh on the principle that the servant should follow the master, although one gathers that Gough did not tender this advice to Walter Smith when Graeme Souness departed Ibrox for Anfield.

On the contrary, in fact, because according to his ghosted autobiography, *Field of Dreams*, the launch of which provided him with the platform for his opinions, it was Gough himself who told the Rangers chairman, David Murray, that Smith was the players' choice to succeed Souness.

Extending his scope as kingmaker, Gough next declared that his former manager at Dundee United, the irascible Jim McLean — with whom he has hardly exchanged a civil word in seven years — should be appointed the part-time Scotland manager. Gough is not renowned for his sense of humour but it was hard to resist the conclusion that he was enjoying himself hugely last week.

Whatever he may have contributed to the gaiety of the nation, Gough has presented the SFA with several difficulties which must be handled with delicacy. The SFA has invited Gough to clarify comments in the book and he is scheduled make his case to Park Gardens this week, unhappily for the SFA at the very time when accounts of Roxburgh's alleged extramarital affair with Jane Nottage, whom he first met when she was working for the 1990 World Cup organising committee, have erupted in the tabloid press.

Widespread publicity has been given to Gough's account in *Field of Dreams* of events prior to Scotland's 5-0 thrashing by Portugal in the World Cup qualifying fixture in Lisbon in April.

In the dressing-room, Gough writes, Roxburgh and Brown allegedly declared that they knew the composition of the Portugal team — which would not include the forward, Rui Barros — and made their dispositions accordingly, only to be confounded when Barros played. Gough alleges that Brown's intelligence about the Portuguese team came from a Lisbon taxi-driver.

RODDY FORSYTH



Scottish commentary

Brown has refused to be drawn into a public argument with Gough and he will not discuss any of the player's allegations, but privately he has told friends that the information came from the Portuguese liaison officer who drove Brown and Roxburgh around Lisbon and that the Portugal manager afterwards confirmed that Barros had declined to play until an hour before kick-off.

However, it is no longer the detail which matters but the larger picture of an amateurish and somewhat accident-prone management which — however distorted the image may be — is rapidly capturing the popular imagination in Scotland. The game plan has gone wrong and neither Gough nor Clough will be conscripted to turn it round.

WEEKEND RESULTS AND TABLES

FA Carling Premiership

BLACKBURN (0) 0 WEST HAM (1) 2 — Chapman 33, Morley 71 — 13,943
COVENTRY (0) 1 CHELSEA (1) 1 — Morgan 49; Peacock 36 — 13,660
EVERTON (1) 2 LIVERPOOL (0) 0 — Ward 27, Cottee 85 — 38,157
IPSWICH (1) 1 A VILLA (1) 2 — Marshall 9; Saunders 19, Townsend 55 — 16,617
LEEDS (2) 2 SHEFF UTD (1) 1 — McAllister 5, Strachan 29; Kelly (og) 44 — 33,892
QPR (1) 2 NORWICH (2) 2 — Sinclair 33, Ferdinand 83; McDonald (og) 25, Eadie 39 — 13,359
SHEFF WED (0) 2 SOUTHMPTN (0) 0 — Sheridan 58 (pen), Hirst 80 — 22,503
SWINDON (0) 2 NEWCASTLE (2) 2 — Ling 60, Mutch 61; Clark 37, Allen 44 (pen) — 15,015
TOTTENHAM (3) 5 OLDHAM (0) 0 — Sheringham 6, 7, Sedgley 6, Durie 62, Dozzell 86 — 24,614

Yesterday

MAN UTD (1) 1 ARSENAL (0) 0 — Cantona 38 — 44,009

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Man Utd	8	3	1	0	8	1	3	0	1	7	3	19
2 Arsenal	8	3	0	1	8	4	2	1	1	3	2	16
3 Aston Villa	8	2	1	1	6	3	2	2	0	5	3	15
4 Everton	8	3	0	1	7	3	2	0	2	3	3	15
5 Tottenham	8	2	1	1	7	2	2	1	1	5	4	14
6 Coventry	8	2	2	0	5	3	1	3	0	7	4	14
7 Blackburn	8	1	1	2	4	6	3	1	0	6	2	14
8 Leeds	8	3	0	1	4	5	1	1	2	4	5	13
9 Liverpool	8	2	0	2	5	3	2	0	2	8	4	12
10 Norwich	8	1	1	2	1	3	2	2	0	12	7	12
11 Wimbledon	7	1	2	0	4	3	2	1	1	5	3	12
12 Ipswich	8	2	1	1	4	3	1	1	2	4	6	11
13 Newcastle	8	2	1	1	6	4	0	3	1	5	6	10
14 Chelsea	8	2	1	1	5	3	0	3	1	3	4	10
15 QPR	8	2	1	1	7	7	1	0	3	5	9	10
16 Man City	7	1	2	1	5	4	1	0	2	3	3	8
17 Sheff Utd	8	2	2	0	8	5	0	0	4	4	11	8
18 West Ham	8	1	1	2	2	6	1	1	2	3	5	8
19 Sheff Wed	8	1	2	1	5	4	0	1	3	3	9	6
20 Oldham	8	0	2	2	4	8	1	0	3	1	7	5
21 Southampton	8	1	0	3	6	8	0	0	4	1	6	3
22 Swindon	8	0	1	3	3	11	0	2	2	2	8	3

LEADING GOALSCORERS: FA Carling Premiership: 8 Sheringham (Tottenham). 6 Wright (Arsenal); 5 Cole (Newcastle); Cottee (Everton). 4 Campbell (Arsenal); Clough (Liverpool); Ferdinand (QPR); Marshall (Ipswich); Peacock (Chelsea); Sharpe (Man Utd); Sutton (Norwich), Keane (Man Utd).

First division: 8 Armstrong (Crystal Palace); 7 Hendrie (Middlesbrough); Stein (Stoke); 6, McGinlay (Bolton). 5, Angell (Southend); Bull (Wolverhampton). Draper (Notts County); Peschisolido (Birmingham). Donovan (WBA); Lund (Notts Co); Mendonca (Grimsby); Coyle (Bolton); Goodman (Sunderland).

Second division: 13 McCarthy (Bradford); 10 Quinn (Reading); 9, Windass (Hull), Jepson (Exeter); 8, Castle (Plymouth), Bennett (Wrexham); Varadi (Rotherham); 7, Preece (Stockport); Slaven (Port Vale).

Third division: 7 Foster (Torquay); 6 Conroy (Preston), Ellis (Preston); Scott (Wycombe). 5, Ainsworth (Preston), Norris (Chesterfield); Ward (Crewe); 4, Brown (Colchester); Lancaster (Rochdale); McGavin (Colchester); Whitehall (Rochdale), Young (Scarborough); Kinsella (Colchester); McDonald (Walsall); Thomas (Carlisle).

Scottish League: Premier division: 8, Shearer (Aberdeen); 6, Wright (St Johnstone); McGrillen (Motherwell); Hateley (Rangers); Craig (Partick); McAvennie (Celtic) First division: 7, Cadette (Falkirk), 6, Flannigan (Clydebank); Davenport (Airdrie), French (Dunfermline). Second division: 7, Thomson (Queen Of South); 6, Grant (Montrose).

Endsleigh Insurance League

First division

BIRMINGHAM (1) 1 GRIMSBY (1) 1 — Donowa 1; Gilbert 39 — 11,302
BOLTON (0) 1 LEICESTER (0) 2 — McGinlay 82 (pen); Speedie 54, 78 — 12,049
BRISTOL CITY (0) 0 CHARLTON (0) 0 — 7,484
MIDDLSBROUGH (0) 0 LUTON (0) 0 — 12,487
MILLWALL (0) 0 DERBY (0) 0 — 9,881
PETERBORO (0) 3 OXFORD UTD (1) 1 — Philliskirk 59, 79, 89; Rogan 13 — 5,148
PORTSMTH (1) 2 SOUTHEND (1) 1 — Durnin 10, Powell 87; Jones 35 — 11,093
SUNDRLAND (0) 0 WOLVERHAMPTON (1) 2 — Small 15, Thomas 88 — 16,292
TRANMERE (0) 0 BARNSLEY (1) 3 — Rammell 33, Redfearn 70, O'Connell 81 — 6,755
WATFORD (2) 3 NOTTS COUNTY (0) 1 — Furlong 2, 28, Lavin 84; Draper 79 — 6,959
WEST BROM (1) 1 C PALACE (0) 4 — Taylor 26; Coleman 48, Whyte 68, Southgate 70, Armstrong 89 — 17,873

Yesterday

NOTTM FOR (0) 2 STOKE (2) 3 — Phillips 50, Pearce 67; Regis 16, Stein 26 (pen), 49 — 20,843

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 C Palace	7	3	1	0	8	1	2	0	1	8	5	16
2 Charlton	8	3	1	0	7	1	1	2	1	4	7	15
3 Tranmere	8	3	0	1	8	5	1	2	1	3	4	14
4 Middlesbro	7	1	1	1	4	2	3	0	1	10	6	13
5 Leicester	6	2	1	0	7	2	2	0	1	5	3	13
6 Wolves	8	2	1	1	8	5	1	1	2	6	6	11
7 Southend	7	2	1	0	5	1	1	1	2	8	7	11
8 Stoke	7	1	0	2	3	4	2	2	0	9	7	11
9 Watford	7	2	1	1	8	5	1	1	1	6	6	11
10 Derby	7	3	0	0	8	0	0	2	2	1	7	11
11 Barnsley	8	1	1	2	5	8	2	0	2	6	8	10
12 Birmingham	7	1	2	1	8	7	1	1	1	4	4	9
13 Portsmouth	8	2	1	1	7	6	0	2	2	5	10	9
14 Nottm Forest	7	1	1	1	8	7	1	1	2	3	5	8
15 West Brom	7	2	1	1	9	9	0	1	2	1	3	8
16 Grimsby	7	0	4	0	3	3	1	1	1	6	7	8
17 Bolton	8	1	1	1	3	3	1	1	1	2	3	8
18 Millwall	7	1	1	1	3	4	1	1	2	2	7	8
19 Peterborough	7	2	1	1	9	5	0	0	3	1	7	7
20 Bristol City	7	2	1	1	5	4	0	0	3	3	8	7
21 Notts County	6	2	0	1	4	3	0	1	2	3	7	7
22 Oxford Utd	8	2	0	1	9	7	0	0	3	2	7	6
23 Luton	6	1	0	2	3	5	0	1	2	1	5	4
24 Sunderland	5	1	0	1	4	2	0	0	3	0	7	3

BORD GAIS LEAGUE OF IRELAND: Premier division: Bohemians 2 Derry City 0; St Patrick's Ath 1 Cobh Ramblers 1.

NEVILLE OVENDEN COMBINATION LEAGUE: First division: Southampton 2 Crystal Palace 1.

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: First division: Backwell 5 Welton 0; Barnstaple 2 Brislington 1; Bishop Sutton 1 Devizes 1, Bridport 1 Ilfracombe 0; Chard 0, Larkhall Athletic 0; Dawlish 2 Ottery St Mary 0; Heavitree 2 Warminster 0; Keynsham 3 Glastonbury 1; Pewsey Vale 1 Clyst 3; Wellington 2 Radstock 1.

LONDON SPARTAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Amersham 0 Haringey Borough 1; Brimsdown 0 Beaconsfield 1; Brook House 6 Tower Hamlets 1; Cockfosters 2 Beckton 2; Harwell 3 Barkingside 7; Hillingdon Borough 5 Walthamstow Pennant 2; St Margaretsbury 1 Croydon Athletic 3; Waltham Abbey 0 Willesden 4; St Andrews 2 Corinthian Casuals 5.

HELLENIC LEAGUE: Premier division: Bicester 4 Almondsbury 0; Cinderford 2 Banbury 1; Fairford 3 Wantage 1; Milton 5 Wollen Sports 1, Moreton 1 Abingdon 0; North Leigh 1 Swindon Supermarine 2; Kintbury Rangers 1 Shortwood 3.

Second division

BLACKPOOL (1) 1 CARDIFF (0) 0 — Griffiths 43 — 4,767
BOURNEMTH (1) 1 CAMBRIDGE UTD (1) 2 — Cotterill 44; Claridge 37, Rowett 50 — 5,200
BRIGHTON (0) 2 BRENTFORD (1) 1 — Nogan 51, 57; Williams 22 — 5,734
EXETER (3) 5 WREXHAM (0) 0 — Jepson 3, 5, 41 (pen), 83, Wigley 51 — 3,982
FULHAM (0) 0 YORK (1) 1 — Barnes 5 — 3,585
HULL (1) 2 HUDDERSFIELD (0) 1 — Brown 39, Atkinson 90; Starbuck 60 — 7,570
LEYTON ORIENT (0) 4 BARNET (0) 2 — Barnett 56, Okai 68, Bellamy 89, Carter 90; Haag 82 (pen), Barnett 87 — 4,812
PORT VALE (1) 1 HARTLPOOL (0) 0 — Kerr 25 — 7,279
READING (1) 3 PLYMOUTH (0) 2 — Quinn 20, 89, Gooding 66; Nugent 54, Castle 75 (pen) — 6,209
ROTHERHAM (1) 1 BRISTOL ROVERS (0) 1 — Varadi 44; Archer 60 — 4,000
STOCKPORT (0) 2 BURNLEY (1) 1 — Preece 67, Ryan 72; Francis 27 — 5,122
SWANSEA (1) 2 BRADFORD (0) 0 — Hayes 41, Walker 80 — 3,373

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Hull	8	3	1	0	8	3	3	0	1	10	10	19
2 Stockport	8	4	0	0	10	3	2	1	1	6	5	18
3 Reading	8	4	0	0	12	5	2	0	2	9	6	18
4 Bournemouth	7	2	1	1	6	4	2	1	0	4	2	14
5 Plymouth	8	3	0	1	11	6	1	1	2	8	7	13
6 Blackpool	8	3	1	0	7	3	1	0	3	6	9	13
7 York	8	2	1	1	6	4	2	0	2	4	6	13
8 Swansea	8	3	0	1	6	2	1	1	2	3	5	13
9 Burnley	8	4	0	0	12	3	0	0	4	4	8	12
10 Rotherham	8	2	1	1	6	6	1	2	1	6	7	12
11 Leyton Orient	8	3	0	1	8	4	1	0	3	3	9	12
12 Bradford	8	3	0	1	12	5	0	2	2	3	8	11
13 Exeter	8	2	1	1	10	5	1	1	2	3	8	11
14 Hartlepool	8	2	1	1	4	2	1	1	2	4	5	11
15 Bristol Rov	8	2	1	1	5	3	1	1	2	3	5	11
16 Cambridge U	8	2	0	2	8	7	1	1	2	6	9	10
17 Cardiff	7	1	1	1	7	6	1	2	1	7	8	8
18 Port Vale	8	2	2	0	11	4	0	1	3	2	7	9
19 Wrexham	8	2	1	1	11	8	0	1	3	1	9	8
20 Fulham	8	0	2	2	5	5	2	0	2	5	5	8
21 Brentford	8	2	1	1	4	3	0	1	3	2	6	8
22 Huddersfield	8	0	2	2	6	6	1	1	2	6	7	6
23 Brighton	8	1	2	1	5	6	0	1	3	3	10	6
24 Barnet	8	0	0	4	2	7	0	0	4	4	17	0

DIADORA LEAGUE: Premier division: Aylesbury 1 Enfield 0; Carshalton 1 Sutton U 0; Chesham 5 Wivenhoe 1; Kingstonian 3 Grays 0; St Albans 1 Stevenage Bor 2. First division, Heybridge Swifts 2 Wembley 2. Second division: Aveley 0 Leatherhead 2; Berton 5 Edgware 4; Chertsey 4 Hungerford 2; Egham 0 Thame 2; Metropolitan Police 2 Hampton 1; Newbury 1 Hemel 0; Rainham 0 Lewes 0, Saffron Walden 0 Malden Vale 0; Tilbury 3 Banstead 0; Ware 0 Aldershot 2; Witham 2 Collier Row 1. Third division: Camberley 0 Bracknell 1, Cove 4 Hornchurch 1; Epsom and Ewell 2 Northwood 5; Flackwell H 0 Cheshunt 0; Hertford 2 Harlow 3, Horsham 3 E Thurrock 1; Leighton 0 Royston 0; Southall 1 Oxford C 2; Tring 2 Kingsbury 1.

CARLING NORTH WEST COUNTIES: Atherton LR 0 Burscough 1; Bacup Bor 2 Bootle 3, Blackpool R 2 Eastwood Hanley 0; Bradford PA 4 Darwen 1, Maine Road (Man) 3 Salford 1; Nantwich 1 Rossendale 0; Newcastle Town 2 Flixton 0; Penrith 3 Kidsgrove 0; Prescot 4 Chadderton 1; St Helens 3 Clitheroe 2; Skelmersdale 0 Glossop NE 0.

Third division

CHESTRFLD (0) 0 WALSALL (0) 1 — Wright 58 — 2,800
CREWE (2) 2 DARLINGTN (0) 1 — Smith 36 (pen), Naylor 43; White 76 — 3,295
LINCOLN (1) 2 BURY (1) 2 — Johnson 22, Jones 78; Carter 44, Rigby 55 — 2,469
NORTHMPTN (0) 0 WIGAN (0) 2 — Bawn 49, Skipper 75 — 2,235
ROCHDALE (2) 2 HEREFORD (0) 0 — Lancaster 8, 24 — 2,645
SCARBORO (0) 0 CHESTER (0) 1 — Leonard 89 — 1,510
SCUNTHRPE (1) 2 CARLISLE (1) 1 — Carmichael 11, 90; Burgess 45 — 3,361
SHRWSBURY (1) 2 GILLINGHAM (1) 2 — Griffiths 38, Summerfield 81; Baker 36, Green 62 (pen) — 2,811
TORQUAY (1) 4 PRESTON (1) 3 — Foster 20, 64, Kelly 61, Hathaway 73; Conroy 8, Ellis 68, Ainsworth 80 — 3,912
WYCOMBE (1) 2 COLCHESTR (1) 5 — Scott 18 (pen), Langford 49; Kinsella 44, McDonough 56, McGavin 59, Grainger 74, Brown 89 — 6,025

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Rochdale	7	5	0	1	9	2	2	1	0	7	3	16
2 Crewe	7	4	0	0	9	4	1	1	1	4	3	16
3 Preston	7	3	0	1	12	5	2	0	1	9	7	15
4 Scunthorpe	7	1	1	1	4	4	3	1	0	5	0	14
5 Torquay	7	1	3	0	9	8	2	1	0	6	4	13
6 Wycombe	7	1	1	1	4	6	2	2	0	9	7	12
7 Mansfield	6	2	0	1	2	1	2	0	1	4	2	12
8 Colchester	7	2	1	1	9	10	1	1	1	9	7	11
9 Walsall	7	0	2	2	4	6	3	0	0	4	1	11
10 Doncaster	7	1	1	1	3	2	2	1	1	4	4	11
11 Scarborough	7	0	0	3	3	8	3	1	0	7	3	10
12 Carlisle	7	1	1	1	5	3	1	2	1	5	3	9
13 Chester	7	1	0	2	3	4	2	0	2	4	3	9
14 Shrewsbury	7	1	1	1	4	4	1	1	2	6	10	8
15 Wigan	7	0	1	2	2	5	2	1	1	6	5	8
16 Chesterfield	7	1	1	2	4	5	1	0	2	3	6	7
17 Bury	7	1	1	1	2	2	0	2	2	4	7	6
18 Gillingham	7	0	3	1	4	6	0	2	1	3	6	5
19 Lincoln	7	0	2	2	3	8	1	0	2	2	3	5
20 Hereford	7	0	1	3	5	8	1	0	2	3	6	4
21 Darlington	7	0	1	3	2	7	0	2	1	3	4	3
22 Northampton	6	0	0	2	0	3	0	2	2	4	7	2

NORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Premier division: Accrington Stanley 1 Boston 3. Bishop Auckland 1 Marine 4, Frickley 0 Barrow 0, Morecambe 0 Leek 0; Winsford 2 Hyde 2. First division: Alfreton 3 Lancaster 0. Bamber Bridge 1 Warrington 1; Farsley Celtic 2 Gretna 0; Netherfield 3 Guiseley 0. Spennymoor 4 Radcliffe Borough 1

SOUTHERN AMATEUR LEAGUE: Lensbury 1 West Wickham 2; Crouch End Vampires 2 NatWest 1: Civil Service 2 Carshalton 5; Midland 0 South Bank Poly 4, Old Stationers 1 Old Latymerians 2; Ibis 1 East Barnet OG 2; Southgate Olympic 0 Polytechnic 3, Old Westminster Cits 5 Royal Bank Scotland 1; Brentham 2 Cuaco 2; Old Parmiterians 6 Reigate Priory 0; Merton 1 Bank 2; Barclays 5 Old Lyonians 1; Old Salesians 1 Alleyn OB 1

SOUTH EAST COUNTIES LEAGUE: League Cup: Arsenal 1 Bristol City 1; Bristol Rovers 4 Leyton Orient 1; Cambridge Utd 3 Brighton 1; Colchester 3 Millwall 6, Crystal Palace 2 Chelsea 6; Luton 3 Charlton 1, Norwich 1 Brentford 2; Oxford Utd 1 Fulham 0; Reading 0 Gillingham 1, Southampton 0 Portsmouth 1; Swindon 2 Southend 1; West Ham 3 Bournemouth 0; Wimbledon 3 Ipswich 2. First division: QPR 1 Tottenham 6.

GM Vauxhall Conference

BATH (1) 2 GATESHEAD (1) 3 — Adcock 8, Cousins 69; Proudlock 38, Hine 48, Dobson 73 (pen) — 703
BROMSGROVE (0) 0 WOKING (0) 0 — 1,097
DAGENHAM R (2) 4 TELFORD (0) 1 — Broom 28, Richardson 38, 75, Cavell 77; Ferguson 51 (pen) — 792
DOVER (1) 1 ALTRNCHM (0) 0 — Leworthy 5 — 1,670
KIDDERMINSTER (0) 1 STALYBRIDGE (0) 0 — Coathup (og) 75 — 921
MACCLSFLD (0) 0 KETTERING (0) 0 — 933
MERTHYR (0) 1 RUNCORN (1) 1 — Rogers 70; Thomas 4 — 516
NORTHWICH (1) 1 SLOUGH (1) 1 — O'Connor 43; Stanley 39 — 825
STAFFORD (2) 4 YEOVIL (1) 2 — Simpson 24, 40, 84 (2 pens), Williams 61; Spencer 6, 54 — 1,064
WELLING (0) 0 SOUTHPORT (1) 2 — Quinlan 36, 80 — 1,150

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Dover	6	4	0	0	12	2	1	0	1	2	1	15
2 Slough	7	3	0	0	6	0	1	2	1	2	2	14
3 Stafford	8	4	0	0	12	3	0	2	2	5	9	14
4 Kettering	7	1	2	0	1	0	2	2	0	4	1	13
5 Welling	7	2	1	1	5	5	2	0	1	3	1	13
6 Bath	7	2	1	1	12	5	1	2	0	4	2	12
7 Runcorn	7	3	0	1	11	5	0	3	0	4	4	12
8 Witton	8	3	1	0	9	3	0	2	2	2	5	12
9 Yeovil	8	2	1	1	4	2	1	2	1	6	7	12
10 Northwich	6	1	2	0	3	2	1	1	1	3	4	9
11 Altrincham	7	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	3	4	8
12 Southport	7	0	2	1	4	5	1	2	1	8	7	7
13 Merthyr	7	0	4	0	4	4	0	3	0	3	3	7
14 Dagenham R	6	2	1	0	8	4	0	0	3	1	7	7
15 Macclesfield	7	2	1	1	7	5	0	0	3	2	10	7
16 Kidderminster	8	2	1	1	2	2	0	0	4	1	10	7
17 Stalybridge	6	1	0	1	2	2	0	3	1	1	2	6
18 Woking	7	1	1	1	4	3	0	2	2	0	8	6
19 Telford	6	0	2	1	4	5	1	0	2	5	7	5
20 Bromsgrove	7	0	2	2	5	7	1	0	2	6	9	5
21 Halifax	7	0	4	0	2	2	0	1	2	2	9	5
22 Gateshead	6	0	1	1	2	4	1	0	3	5	8	4

BEAZER HOMES LEAGUE: Premier division: Bashley 2 Worcester 2; Cambridge City 3 Halesowen 2; Corby Town 1 Cheltenham 1 Crawley Town 1 Dorchester 1, Hednesford 0 Farnborough 2; Nuneaton 2 Trowbridge 0. Yesterday: Gloucester 2, Waterlooville 1. Midland division: Bridgnorth 0 Rushden and Diamonds 2. Clevedon 4 VS Rugby 0; Evesham 0 Bilston 3, Hinckley 1 Forest Green 0, King's Lynn 0 Armitage 0; Yate 1 Stourbridge 2. Southern division: Baldock 2 Erith and Belvedere 2, Buckingham 2 Burnham 2; Newport IoW 1 Wealdstone 1; Tonbridge 2 Bury 0

FEDERATION BREWERY NORTHERN LEAGUE: First division: Billingham Synthonia 0 Blyth Spartans 1: Eppleton CW 0 West Auckland 2; Northallerton 3 Guisborough 0. Stockton 1 Murton 0; Whitby 7 Newcastle Blue Star 0

SMIRNOFF IRISH LEAGUE: Ards 0 Linfield 3: Ballyclare 0 Crusaders 0. Carrick 2 Ballymena 5; Cliftonville 1 Bangor 0. Coleraine 2 Omagh 0; Glenavon 0 Larne 0; Newry 1 Glentoran 1. Portadown 1 Distillery 0

JEWSON EASTERN COUNTIES LEAGUE: Cup: Brantham 3 Mildenhall 0: Gorleston 0 Wroxham 1, Great Yarmouth 6 Long Sutton 0; Haverhill 5 Swaffham 0, Newmarket 3 Halstead 2; Tiptree 0 Warboys 1. Premier division: Chatteris 1 Stowmarket 3. Harwich and Parkeston 3 Diss 2, Lowestoft 4 Histon 1. Norwich U 0 Felixstowe 2. Soham 2 Watton 2. Sudbury W 2 Fakenham 2; Wisbech 2 Cornard 2

Scottish League

Premier division

ABERDEEN (2) 2 RANGERS (0) 0 — Shearer 16, Pressley (og) 34 — 20,000
CELTIC (0) 1 DUNDEE UTD (0) 1 — Creaney 70; McKinlay 68 — 26,377
DUNDEE (0) 0 RAITH (0) 1 — Hetherston 66 — 4,654
HEARTS (0) 0 KILMARNOCK (1) 1 — Skilling 31 — 8,309
PARTICK (1) 1 MOTHERWLL (0) 0 — Craig 37 — 7,224
ST JOHNSTNE (0) 1 HIBERNIAN (2) 3 — Wright 89; O'Neill 2, McAllister 6, Wright 51 — 5,008

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1 Hibernian	7	2	1	0	4	1	1	2	1	5	4	9
2 Motherwell	7	2	1	0	8	3	2	0	2	3	5	9
3 Aberdeen	7	2	1	0	3	0	1	2	1	4	4	9
4 Dundee Utd	7	1	2	0	2	1	1	3	0	5	4	9
5 Celtic	7	0	3	1	2	3	2	1	0	7	3	8
6 Kilmarnock	7	1	2	1	2	2	2	0	1	3	2	8
7 Rangers	7	1	1	1	4	4	1	2	1	3	4	7
8 Hearts	7	3	0	1	4	2	0	1	2	1	4	7
9 St Johnstone	7	1	1	2	6	6	0	3	0	1	1	6
10 Partick Th	7	1	0	2	3	2	0	3	1	4	5	5
11 Raith	7	0	3	1	5	8	1	0	2	2	5	5
12 Dundee	7	0	2	2	3	5	0	0	3	0	4	2

FA TROPHY: First round qualifying: Bishops Stortford 1 Braintree 0. Hitchin 0 Boreham Wood 2, Hendon 1 Marlow 2, Ruislip Manor 1 Chelmsford 4, Sudbury T 3 Purfleet 3, Leyton 6 Chalfont St Peter 4; Berkhamsted 1 Yeading 1; Uxbridge 1 Harrow Borough 2; Ashford 3 Windsor and Eton 1; Bromley 0 Molesey 2; Gravesend and Northfleet 3 Bognor Regis 0; Tooting and Mitcham 3 Whyteleafe 1; Dorking 1 Sittingbourne 5. Margate 0 Worthing 2; Fisher 1 Walton and Hersham 0. Croydon 3 Canterbury 0; Dulwich Hamlet 2 Hastings 1; Wokingham 1 Maidenhead 0, Fareham 1 Weston-Super-Mare 2, Salisbury 1 Poole 3, Newport AFC 1 Havant 0, Basingstoke 0 Abingdon 2, Weymouth 0 Witney 2, Bridlington 4 Ferryhill 0, Peterlee Newtown 0 Workington 2; Ashton U 1 Chester-Le-Street 2. Dunston F B 3 Easington Colliery 0; Fleetwood 0 Gt Harwood 6; Durham 0 Tow Law 1; Whitley Bay 1 Chorley 1, Shildon 1 Harrogate 1, Consett 2 Hebburn 2, Brandon 0 Seaham Red Star 2, Matlock 0 Knowsley 0; Tamworth 3 Worksop 2. Buxton 0 Curzon Ashton 0, Dudley 3 Mossley 2, Grantham 5 Bedworth 2, Burton 3 Caernarfon 0; Horwich RMI 0 Congleton 2; Gainsborough Trinity 5 Eastwood Town 3, Gresley 1 Goole 2; Sutton Coldfield 1 Colwyn Bay 1, Atherstone 1 Redditch 1; Leicester U 0 Moor Green 2; Droylsden 2 Solihull Borough 0; Barking 0 Billericay 1.

SOUTH WEST COUNTIES LEAGUE: Bristol City 1 Bashley 4: Bristol Rovers 0 Yeovil 3; Cardiff City 1 Weymouth 5, Cheltenham 1 Torquay United 4. Exeter City 4 Swansea City 2.

KONICA LEAGUE OF WALES: Aberystwyth 0 Connah's Quay 0; Briton Ferry 3 Porthmadog 6. Caersws 0 Ton Pentre 3; Conwy 1 Cwmbran 1, Ebbw Vale 1 Holywell 0; Inter Cardiff 2 Flint Town 1; Llanelli 0 Bangor 3; Llansantffraid 1 Haverfordwest 2; Newtown 0 Maesteg Park 0. Mold 2 Afan Lido 2

GREAT MILLS LEAGUE: Premier division: Bideford 1 Bristol Manor Farm 4; Calne 2 Exmouth 1, Crediton 1 Odd Down 3, Elmore 1 Frome 2, Mangotsfield 3 Torrington 2; Minehead 0 Chippenham 1; Saltash 1 Westbury 0; Taunton 2 Liskeard 0; Tiverton 4 Paulton 0.

First division

AIRDRIE (0) 3 STIRLING (0) 2 — Davenport 70, Black 71, Lawrie (og) 77; Kerr 47, Callaghan 81 — 2,200
BRECHIN (1) 1 CLYDEBANK (0) 0 — Redford 30 — 628
DUMBARTON (0) 0 FALKIRK (1) 1 — McLaughlin 28 — 2,361
DUNFRLNE (2) 4 MORTON (0) 0 — McCathie 29, Preston 40 (pen), French 63, 88 — 2,955
HAMILTON (1) 2 AYR (0) 1 — McLean 44, Clark 72 (pen); McGivern 53 — 1,529
ST MIRREN (0) 2 CLYDE (1) 1 — McIntyre 61, McWhirter 75; Clarke 37 — 2,000

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Clydebank	8	3	0	0	6	1	4	0	1	13	5	14
2 Falkirk	8	3	0	1	7	7	3	1	0	10	2	13
3 Airdrie	8	5	0	0	12	3	1	0	2	4	5	12
4 Dumbarton	8	2	1	2	6	5	2	0	1	4	2	9
5 Stirling Alb	8	3	0	0	5	0	1	1	3	7	10	9
6 Ayr Utd	8	1	0	2	2	5	3	0	2	5	3	8
7 Hamilton	8	1	2	1	5	5	1	1	2	2	7	7
8 Dunfermline	8	2	0	2	10	8	1	0	3	4	6	6
9 St Mirren	8	1	1	3	4	8	1	1	1	4	4	6
10 Brechin	8	2	0	3	4	6	0	0	3	1	4	4
11 Clyde	8	2	0	2	4	4	0	0	4	3	9	4
12 Morton	8	1	1	1	5	8	0	1	4	3	13	4

Second division

ARBROATH (1) 1 STENHOUSEMUIR (0) 2 — McKinnon 34; Mathieson 53, Steel 85 — 683
BERWICK (1) 1 STRANRAER (0) 0 — Scott 37 — 435
COWDNBTH (0) 0 ALBION (0) 1 — Scott 65 — 228
EAST STIRLING (0) 1 FORFAR (0) 2 — Millar 78; Bingham 66, Downie 82 — 300
MONTROSE (0) 0 MEADWBNK (2) 3 — Little 18, Bailey 30, Duthie 69 — 547
QUEEN OF SOUTH (0) 0 ALLOA (0) 1 — Moffat 55 — 1,459
QUEEN'S PARK (2) 4 EAST FIFE (0) 2 — McPhee 2, 7, McCormick 70, Tritalici 79; Williamson 73, Reilly 76 — 575

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1 Meadowbank	7	1	1	1	3	4	4	0	0	8	1	11
2 Queen of Sth	7	2	0	2	10	4	3	0	0	9	3	10
3 Forfar	7	1	1	2	5	5	2	1	0	6	2	8
4 East Fife	7	2	0	1	7	3	2	0	2	5	6	8
5 Berwick	7	2	1	1	4	2	1	1	1	4	4	8
6 Montrose	7	1	1	1	2	3	2	1	1	9	7	8
7 Stranraer	7	2	0	1	6	6	2	0	2	4	3	8
8 Alloa	7	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	5	5	8
9 Stenhsemuir	7	1	2	0	5	3	2	0	2	4	7	8
10 Cowdenbth	7	0	0	4	3	7	2	1	0	5	2	5
11 Albion Rov	7	1	0	2	3	4	1	1	2	3	5	5
12 Arbroath	7	1	1	2	6	8	0	1	2	1	4	4
13 Queen's Park	7	2	0	2	7	9	0	0	3	2	9	4
14 E Stirling	7	1	0	3	5	7	0	1	2	1	8	3

BELGIUM: Beveren 0 Anderlecht 2; Ekeren 2 Lierse 0; Charleroi 1 Standard Liege 0, Liege 1 Ostend 2, Seraing 5 Waregem 2; Genk 0 Antwerp 2, RWD Molenbeek 1 Cercle Brugge 3; Mechelen 4 Gent 1.

FRANCE: Marseille 3 Bordeaux 1, Montpellier 2 Cannes 1, Sochaux 2 Monaco 0; Lyon 1 Paris St-Germain 3, Auxerre 1 Lens 0, Lille 0 Saint-Etienne 2; Strasbourg 3 Martigues 0, Caen 1 Toulouse 0, Metz 2 Le Havre 0

GERMANY: B Leverkusen 2 E Frankfurt 2, Schalke 1 Nuremberg 2, B Munich 3 Wattenscheid 3; Duisburg 2 B Dortmund 2, D Dresden 2 B Moenchengladbach 1; Freiburg 2 Kaiserslautern 3; Leipzig 1 Hamburg 4, VfB Stuttgart 1 Cologne 1

SPAIN: Deportivo de la Coruña 4 Real Madrid 0, Real Valladolid 2 Seville 2

ITALIAN LEAGUE: Atalanta 0 Cremonese 0; Foggia 0 Cagliari 1, Genoa 0 Napoli 0, Juventus 4 Reggiana 0, Lazio 0 Inter 0, AC Milan 2 Roma 0; Parma 3 Torino 0, Udinese 0 Sampdoria 2

POOLS CHECK

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58
2½	1½	1½	1½	1½	2½	1½	1½	2½	1½	3	3	1½	3	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½	1½

FORECAST: Telephone claims are required for 22½ and 22 points. Dividend forecast is very good with five jackpot draws.

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Revolutionary structural changes mooted as way forward on Tyneside

Gloucester denied by raw talent of new boys



David Hands watches Newcastle Gosforth grind their way to first point in top flight of English game

NEITHER Mick Mahoney nor Steve Gustard would claim the Messianic qualities of Kevin Keegan, but I imagine that the manager of newly promoted Newcastle United was as pleased to acquire his first premiership point of the season as the coaching staff of newly promoted Newcastle Gosforth were to make a dent, on Saturday, in the first division of the Courage Clubs Championship.

Particularly since Mahoney, Newcastle's director of rugby, and Gustard, the chief coach, had to watch their side lose its way at Orrell a week earlier. It does not much matter how you make your way into the fast lane of domestic rugby so long as you start somewhere: that was where West Hartlepool, the other senior club from the North East, had such difficulty in the first division last season. It took five league games before they opened their account.

To say that watching the two sides kick four penalty goals each at Kingston Park was about as entertaining as a party political broadcast is perhaps being unkind to politicians. But neither side could be expected to play fluent rugby, essentially because they lack the confidence to do so. Newcastle have their way to make, and know they need more than grafting forward play and the goal-kicking of David Johnson, while this last year for Gloucester has been a time of trauma and change.

Gustard appreciates that another dimension to his club's play is required, one that will incorporate the attacking skills of David Bennett, 21, the full back, and two quick wings. However, his limited midfield resources may be diminished by the absence of Ian Chandler if the leg injury that caused him to be stretchered off keeps him out for the predicted month.

But there is no shortage of raw talent at forward, if an unforgiving first division gives it time to develop. John Fowler, the 6ft 8in hero of Hawke's Bay after their defeat of the British Isles midweek side in June, becomes eligible for the second row this week and various permutations are available in the back row, all of which will hinge round Richard Arnold.

Arnold, from Taranaki, played a mightily effective game on the blind side on Saturday. Not only did he dominate the back of the lineout, he was everywhere in the loose. Having said which, you did not need to run far to get to the loose ball since neither side could offer much breadth and Gloucester, after two promising first-half movements, gave every justification to the criticism of New Zealanders that English sides do not play the game on their feet.

Newcastle are feeling their way forward off the field, too. A players' meeting next month will help decide whether change is required to the playing structure. Three options face the club: to stay as they are, to halve the number of senior teams they run from six to three or — and this is the novel one — to run two clubs, one senior, one junior, under the same umbrella.

Recommendations will be made in November, by which time Newcastle will hope to have more league points to their credit. So will Gloucester, whose two Scottish internationals, Peter Jones and Ian Smith, were watched by Richie Dixon, the Scotland assistant coach.

Before David Sims came to dominate the middle of the lineout, they played some perceptive football with limited possession; afterwards, for all their territorial dominance, they could stitch no kind of game together and Paul Beech, having eliminated the 12-6 half-time deficit to earn his side a second successive league draw with two penalty goals, missed three others and an attempted dropped goal.

Boroughmuir have denied the allegations of stamping made by Newcastle Gosforth against Peter Wright, their Scotland and British Lions prop. Terry Roberts, the Newcastle lock, required four stitches in a head wound after the match on September 4 but Arthur Ross, the Boroughmuir president, said that study of the video showed Wright was not responsible.

IAN HORROCKS



Bennett, the enterprising Newcastle Gosforth full back, is hauled back in the 12-12 draw at Kingston Park

SCORERS: Newcastle Gosforth: Penalty goals: Johnson (4) Gloucester: Penalty goals: T Smith (2), Beech (2).

NEWCASTLE GOSFORTH: D Bennett; T Penn, R Wilkinson, I Chandler, M White; D Johnson, S Douglass; R Fuller, N Frankland, P Vanzandvliet, R Arnold, G Archer, S Gibbs, B Chick, G Clark. Fuller replaced by P Davidson (40mn), Chandler replaced by T Willcox (74). R Parker temporary replacement for Gibbs.

GLOUCESTER: T Smith, P Holford, S Morris, D Casles, M Nicholson, D Cummins, M Hannaford, P Jones, J Hawker, A Deacon, P Ashmead, D Sims, R West, I Smith, B Fowke. Morris replaced by P Beech (29)

Referee: D Matthews (Liverpool)

☐ A reign unique in New Zealand rugby history came to an end on Saturday when Waikato defeated Auckland 17-6 at Eden Park and thus took the Ranfurly Shield. It was Auckland's 62nd shield defence in an eight-year tenure and, coming a week before the announcement of the All Blacks party to tour England and Scotland this autumn, may cast doubt on the form of some leading players. Waikato, who beat the British Isles comprehensively in June and defeated Auckland in the semi-finals of the national championship last season, scored the game's only try through Ian Foster, who dropped a goal to go with Matthew Cooper's three penalty goals, against two penalty goals by Grant Fox.

Auckland are to play eight matches in England and Scotland during November, including games against Bath and Wasps. Meanwhile, Australia have suffered a second withdrawal from their tour party to Canada and France next month. Having lost Willie Ofahengaue, they now find that Tim Kelaher, the full back, has not recovered from a stomach ulcer. His replacement will be named today.

Forwards give Swansea time to pass Llanelli



Gerald Davies at St Helen's, where age proved to be the home side's advantage in the lineouts

RICHARD Webster, the Wales and British Isles flanker, kept his counsel about whether this match was likely to be his last in rugby union.

Salford's fax machine will need to whirr into action if Webster is to change codes. With the advice of a leading Welsh barrister, after having studied the contract, Webster turned Salford's offer down. He did not need legal advice to point out the obvious flaws in the contract.

Webster was in powerful form at St Helen's (Swansea RFC's home, that is, not the northern club) where there was eventually a rather comfortable 22-12 victory for his club against Llanelli, its foremost rivals.

Llanelli were oddly subdued, whereas Swansea were in hawkish mood. Their failure in this equivalent fixture last season effectively ruined their ambitions of winning the Heineken championship for the second successive year. They were not going to make any mistakes this time, an attitude epitomised by the muscular energy and no-nonsense manner of Webster.

If the flanker scored the game's solitary try, in the second half — and he might have had another in the first had he not been adjudged to have lost the ball in the act of scoring — he and Reynolds were in destructive mood and snaffled any move the visitors were inclined to begin. With a stiff breeze in Llanelli's favour in the first half, the contribution of the two flankers was invaluable in these containing tactics.

But it was elsewhere that Swansea secured their grip on the game. With each passing season, Richard Moriarty is written out of the script for no better reason than his age. He is 36 years old and must, of necessity, have had his day. Cocking a snook at the ageists who insist that rugby is increasingly a young man's game, he returns to haunt the pipsqueaks who are enlisted to taunt him.

Whatever the lawmakers do, the lineout remains a veterans' paradise. There are no tricks that the old dog has not learnt. Is it any wonder that Llanelli themselves keep on asking their commercial manager, Phil May, who, like Moriarty, is chronologically gifted, to sit on the bench? On Saturday, Moriarty and Arnold, who is always conspicuous elsewhere around the field, dominated the second half.

This gave Robert Jones the kind of possession he has rarely enjoyed throughout his career. With a platform steady in front of him, it was he who fashioned the victory.

Several of his incisive breaks were out of the best scrum half's handbook and it was from one of these on the blind side of a ruck and with a delightful pass behind his back to Titley that brought the decisive try.

Llanelli are notoriously slow starters and usually rely on a flourishing middle and end of the season for their success. They were lacklustre here. Too much kicking with what possession they had seemed against the grain of their more natural style of running with the ball in the hand. It must be at least two years since they have played a league game without registering a try. Last season, they scored 136 for an average of six a game. In two weeks, they play Cardiff, the championship leaders and leading try-scorers: 23 to Swansea's 13.

The first half was a story of penalty goals. Stephens succeeded with four attempts out of six, Williams one out of two, ignoring two more because of the influential breeze. A minute into the second half, he happily attempted one from the halfway line and got it. By the eighth minute the try came which, with the conversion, wiped out the deficit and put their noses ahead.

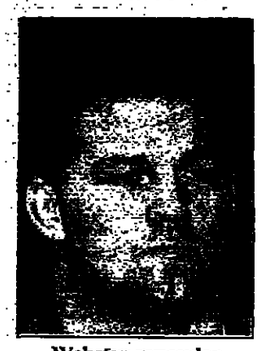
It then became a better match, more lively and purposeful. The home team might have scored a couple of tries more but had to be satisfied with three more penalty goals.

SCORERS: Swansea: Try: Webster. Conversion: Williams. Penalty goals: Williams (5). Llanelli: Penalty goals: C Stephens (4).

SWANSEA: A Clement; M Titley, S Gibbs, J Bell, S Barclay; A Williams, R Jones; I Buckett, G Jenkins, R Shaw, A Reynolds, R Moriarty, P Arnold, R Webster, S Davies.

LLANELLI: I Jones; I Evans, N Davies, N Boobyer, W Proctor; C Stephens, R Moon; R Evans, A Lamerton, H Williams-Jones, S Quinnell, A Copsey, P Jones, L Jones, E Lewis. Boobyer replaced by H Williams (33mn). Gwyn Jones temporary replacement for Lewis.

Referee: G Simmonds (Taffs Well).



Webster: muscular

Defiant Wasps stake capital claim

Barry Trowbridge sees the latest league encounter between two of London's senior adversaries produce a familiar outcome

FOR ALL the promises made last week by Andy Mullins that his leadership of Harlequins would demand total commitment, the scene was all too familiar at Sudbury on Saturday as Wasps confirmed their standing as London's leading league team, albeit after only two games, with a workmanlike 18-15 victory.

The previous weekend, Harlequins led London Irish 27-0 before relaxing and letting in three late tries: here, they had the best of the first 20 minutes, despite falling 3-0 behind, but lost momentum as Wasps added two tries and a conversion before the break. With Wasps' ability to defend perfected last season, the points were already as good as won.

That defiance, which saw Wasps win six Courage Clubs Championship matches by four points or less, was characterised by playing Huw Davies on the left wing against Quins. Correctly anticipating that Challinor would test Buzza with high balls, Davies's defensive qualities were seen as an insurance; covering to beat O'Leary to the ball in goal two minutes from time, when the Quins left wing threatened to turn the game, was a selector's dream come true.

With tempers strangely subdued, it was an ideal afternoon for individuals to shine and, contrary to their opponents' flamboyant image, it was Wasps, so often the proof that the whole can far outweigh the sum of the parts, who took advantage. Dallaglio, in his league debut, was outstanding in the first half but faded in the second while Andrew was on top of his game, jinking acceleration looking the mood of the moment. And then there was Greenwood; quite easily the man of the match.

Harlequins could argue that a score by Glenister after 20 minutes, had it not been disallowed for foul play by Moore, and penalty goal attempts that Bray sent either side of the posts from kickable positions midway through the second half, could have swung the game. It will do no good.

Of seven league meetings, Wasps have now won six; even when they finished seventh in 1991-2, they have also always finished the higher in the table. On this showing, there is no reason to believe 1993-4 will be any different.

SCORERS: Wasps: Tries: Holmes, D Hopley. Conversion: Andrew. Penalty goals: Andrew (2) Harlequins: Tries: Leonard, Glenister. Conversion: Bray. Penalty goal: Bray.

WASPS: A Buzza; P Hopley, G Childs, D Hopley, H Davies; R Andrew, S Bates; G Holmes, K Dunn, J Probyn, M Greenwood, R Kinsey, S Shortland, L Dallaglio, D Ryan.

HARLEQUINS: K Bray; C Maddison, W Carling, G Thompson, D O'Leary; P Challinor, R Glenister, J Leonard, B Moore, A Mullins, C Sheasby, T Coker, M Russell, J Cassell, R Langhorn.

Referee: A Spreadbury (Somerset).

Bath's dominance still unthreatened

Bryan Stiles has little doubt the West Country side remain the best and notes the success of a new full back talent

BATH have strode rugby pitches for more than ten years with a sure and arrogant tread that has often left opponents breathless. This victory, at the Recreation Ground, on Saturday, was no exception.

With Northampton having beaten Leicester, one of the fancied clubs, the previous week, they promised to be a formidable force... but they were swept aside 37-9. Once in a while, Bath have an off-day. This was not one of them. Even at this early stage of the season, Jack Rowell, their coach, has created a fusion of thought between forwards and backs that is a joy to watch and a nightmare to defend against.

Bath lead the Courage league table, the only first division club to have won their opening two matches. Bath allow individuals space to display their skills and Callard took his chances well, collecting 22 points.

Seven times he was called up to kick at goal and he found the target on every occasion. He also figured regularly in attacks, contributing to try-scoring moves and striding in for one himself. It was a performance that must have cheered the onlooking Dick Best, the England coach, and John Elliott, a selector.

The retirement from international rugby of Jon Webb creates a gap at full back and, with Callard filling Webb's boots so well at Bath, he could find himself in one of his country's training squads.

He is an England B international but has Welsh connections and was contacted last year by Alan Davies, their national coach. That has not been followed up, yet.

Bath were without the injured Guscott, and Barnes, their main play-maker, almost did not make it because of an injured back. He decided to risk it, providing he did not have to take goal kicks, much to Callard's delight.

Northampton were well served in the lineout by Bayfield, despite a painful shoulder injury. Rodber was at his abrasive best but his team-mates lacked imagination when in possession and they will have to widen the role of Grayson, who seems programmed only to kick.

They were trailing by 17 points after 11 minutes, when Callard kicked a penalty goal and added conversions to two tries by Lumsden after two glorious handling movements. Callard kicked another penalty goal and Grayson replied with two to make it 20-6 at the interval.

Clarke appeared alongside Swift to take a try-scoring pass in 55th minute, then he helped send in Callard, who added two conversions and a penalty goal. Grayson kicked a penalty goal to end the scoring.

SCORERS: Bath: Tries: Lumsden, Clarke, Callard. Conversions: Callard (4). Penalty goals: Callard (3). Northampton: Penalty goals: Grayson (3).

BATH: J Callard; A Swift, P de Glanville, I Lewis, A Lumsden, S Barnes, R Hill; G Chilcott, G Dawe, V Ubogu, A Redman, M Haag, N Redman, J Hall, B Clarke. S Ojomoh temporary replacement for Robinson.

NORTHAMPTON: J Staple; H Thomasycroft, N Beal, M Fielden, F Packman; P Grayson, M Dawson, G Baldwin, J Oliver, G Pearce, P Wilkins, M Bayfield, J Philips, C Milhouse, T Rodber. Packman replaced by R Rees (78mn), R Tebbutt, temporary replacement for Baldwin.

Referee: J Pearson (Durham)

WEEKEND RESULTS AND TABLES

Courage Clubs Championship

First division

Bath 37 Northampton 9
Bath: Tries: Lumsden 2, Callard, Clarke. Cons: Callard 4. Pens: Callard 3. Northampton: Pens: Grayson 3.

Leicester 23 Orrell 18
Leicester: Tries: Cockerill, Potter. Cons: Lilley 2. Pen: Lilley. Dropped goals: Harris 2. Orrell: Tries: Cleary, Naylor. Con: Langford. Pens: Langford 2.

L Irish 0 Bristol 16
Bristol: Try: Wring. Con: Tainton. Pens: Tainton 3.

Newcastle G 12 Gloucester 12
Newcastle Gosforth: Pens: Johnson 4. Gloucester: Pens: Beech 2, T Smith 2.

Wasps 18 Harlequins 15
Wasps: Tries: Holmes, D Hopley. Con: Andrew. Pens: Andrew 2. Harlequins: Tries: Leonard, Glenister. Con: Bray. Pen: Bray.

LEADING SCORERS: 27: J Callard (Bath, 1 try, 5 conversions, 4 penalty goals) 21: D Johnson (Newcastle Gosforth; 7pg). 20: P Grayson (Northampton, 1c, 6pg). 18: S Langford (Orrell; 3c, 4pg) 17: R Andrew (Wasps; 1c, 5pg)

Second division

Moseley 20 Wakefield 11
Moseley: Tries: Linnett 2. Cons: Kerr 2. Pens: Kerr 2. Wakefield: Try: Sleightholme. Pens: Lilley 2.

Otley 11 W Hartlepool 26
Otley: Try: Atkinson. Pens: Rutledge 2. West Hartlepool: Tries: Cooke 2, Wrigley. Cons: Stabler 2. Pens: Stabler 3.

Rugby 16 Nottingham 14
Rugby: Try: Saunders. Con: Mapletoft. Pens: Mapletoft 3. Nottingham: Try: Brackenbury. Pens: Gregory 3.

Sale 52 Saracens 3
Sale: Tries: Erskine 2, Young 2, Baldwin, Kennick, Mallender, Stocks. Cons: Turner 6. Saracens: Pen: Tunningley.

Waterloo 13 L Scottish 17
Waterloo: Try: Meredith. Con: Handley. Pens: Handley 2. London Scottish: Tries: Lecluse, Millard. Cons: Grecian 2. Pen: Walker.

CIS INSURANCE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: North: First division: Durham 38, Northumberland 11; Lancs 3, Yorks 26. Second division: Cheshire 15, Leicestershire 9, Warwicks 12, Cumbria 20. Third division: N Midlands 18, Staffs 25, Notts, Lincs and Derby 36. E Midlands 14. South: First division: Cornwall 19, Gloucestershire 17; Herts 21, Middx 7. Second division: Devon 15, Kent 14; Dorset and Wilts 16, Surrey 29. Third division: Herts 24, Somerset 8, Sussex 17, Bucks 7. Fourth division: Berks 42, E Counties 11.

Heineken League

First division

Aberavon 42 Cross Keys 15
Aberavon: Tries: Jardine 2, Allen, Morris, Roach, Williams. Cons: Forrester 3. Pens: Forrester, Lewis. Cross Keys: Tries: Nicholls, Withers. Con: Fleet. Pen: Fleet.

Bridgend 74 Pontypool 20
Bridgend: Tries: G Evans 2, Howley 2, Spender 2, Lewis, Webbe, Wilkins, Wintle. Cons: Wilkins 9. Pen: Wilkins. Dropped goal: Lewis. Pontypool: Tries: Webb, Bernard. Cons: Ring 2. Pens: Ring 2.

Cardiff 56 Dunvant 3
Cardiff: Tries: Hall 2, Hill 2, Moore 2, Humphreys, Lahy. Cons: Rayer 6. Pen: Rayer. Dunvant: Pen: Thomas.

Newbridge 17 Pontypridd 21
Newbridge: Try: Harries. Pens: Green 4. Pontypridd: Tries: Manley 2. Con: Jenkins. Pens: Jenkins 3.

Newport 18 Neath 19
Newport: Try: Bidgood. Con: Rees. Pens: Rees 3. Neath: Tries: McCarthy, Williams. Pens: Thorburn 3.

Swansea 22 Llanelli 12
Swansea: Try: Webster. Con: Williams. Pens: Williams 5. Llanelli: Pens: Stephens 4.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Cardiff	4	4	0	0	174	23	8
Swansea	4	4	0	0	93	37	8
Neath	4	3	1	0	117	69	7
Llanelli	4	3	0	1	105	58	6
Pontypridd	4	2	1	1	111	81	5
Bridgend	4	2	0	2	113	87	4
Aberavon	3	2	0	1	83	86	4
Newport	4	1	0	3	54	95	2
Dunvant	4	1	0	3	38	117	2
Pontypool	4	0	0	4	75	199	0
Cross Keys	4	0	0	4	54	101	0
Newbridge	3	0	0	3	28	72	0

Second division

Glamorgan W 13 Mount Ash 17
Maesteg 21 Abertillery 11
Penarth 6 Llanharan 17
Sth Wales Pol 21 Narberth 16
Tenby Utd 24 Ebbw Vale 13
Treorchy 25 Llandovery 6

Insurance Corporation All-Ireland League

First division

Blackrock Col 21 St Mary's Col 18
Cork Con 6 Garryowen 0
Greystones 12 Old Wesley 6
Shannon 16 Dungannon 9
Y Munster 6 Lansdowne 10

Second division

Dolphin 14 Old Belvedere 15
Galwegians 14 Instonians 18
Malone 6 Ballymena 9
Terenure 10 Sunday's Well 15

Yesterday

Old Crescent 31 Ballina 9

McEwan's League

First division

Boroughmuir	28	Gala	28
Currie	13	Edinburgh Ac	32
Heriots FP	24	Stewarts Mel FP	17
Jed-Forest	12	Stirling Co	25
Melrose	65	Watsonians	23
Selkirk	10	Hawick	19
W of Scotland	34	Kelso	6

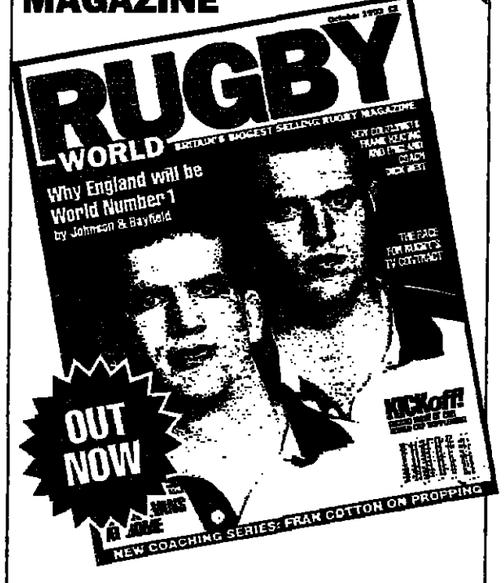
Second division

Ayr	6	Musselburgh	13
Dundee HSFP	54	Edinburgh W	0
Glasgow High	26	Glasgow Ac	9
Haddington	17	Kirkcaldy	27
Peebles	24	Clarkston	13
Preston Lodge	17	Biggar	14
Wigtownshire	5	Grangemouth	30

Club matches

Askeans	6	Southend	29
Aspatria	27	Penrith	13
Berry Hill	26	Sherborne	19
Blackheath	25	L Welsh	19
Bradford & B	16	N Brighton	11
Bridgwater	10	Camborne	15
Broughton Park	30	Morley	15
Clifton	37	Basingstoke	18
Durham	6	Hull Ionians	37
Exeter	46	Launceston	0
Fylde	17	Liverpool St H	8
Harrogate	16	Coventry	14
Havant	28	Torquay Ath	15
Kendal	27	Vale of Lune	3
Leeds	7	Huddersfield	15
Lichfield	20	Leamington	15
Met Police	32	Stourbridge	23
N Walsham	20	Leighton B	6
Plymouth	8	Lydney	37
Sheffield	24	Bedford	25
Stoke-on-Trent	6	Burton	32
Richmond	46	Sudbury	11
Walsall	15	Rosslyn Pk	34

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Tours de force and a diva's farewell

Rodney Milnes on Glyndebourne Touring, Welsh National and the Royal Opera

A busy end-of-week saw the opera season slipping into top gear. On Thursday Glyndebourne Touring Opera's opening night was overshadowed by the Arts Council's decision to withdraw funding from the company. Sadler's Wells Theatre was awash with protest forms and there was an appeal from the stage, in anticipation of which the Arts Council issued a statement from the touring department holding out the faint chance of future support. The statement said that although GTO's funding would not be guaranteed after 1994-95 the company would be invited to tender alongside other opera companies for work in venues of between 800 and 1,350 seats from 1995-96.

In the event, the opening performance of **La clemenza di Tito** was not one of the great GTO evenings. Nicholas Hytner's production carries ideal dramatic conviction — you really believe in these *opera seria* characters and their predicaments — and enough of David Fielding's idiosyncratically wonky architectural set is toured to ensure that the show looks spectacular. And it is strongly cast.

But GTO's music director, Ivor Bolton, was definitely in fast-and-loud mode: the score was hustled and pushed along with inflexible tempos, and this caviar-to-the-general late Mozart opera was given little chance to breathe or exert its noble neo-classical power.

You couldn't help feeling that the singers would have performed even better had they not been harried so relentlessly, especially in the case of Fiona Janes's Sesto. She sang both big arias with impressive accuracy and full, fruity tone, but with sympathetic guidance she could have fielded more variety of dynamic, more pliancy of phrase.

And so on down the list, through Ann Taylor-Morley's forthright Annio, and Anne Williams-King's agreeably school-of-*Dynasty* Vitellia. Nigel Robson gave a morosely clement Tito — he certainly would have benefited from room to manoeuvre — and Matthew Best made his a fortissimo Publio.

Glyndebourne's reputation for impeccable musical preparation took a bit of a dent all round. The execrable supertitles invited laughs, and got them, which is emphatically not what *La clemenza di Tito* needs.

On Friday the Welsh National Opera's first new production of the season, **Lucia di Lammermoor**, was preceded by a press conference to announce the commissioning of a new opera from Peter Maxwell-Davies for the company's 50th birthday in 1996. The Arts Council of Great Britain was represented, and the questions were all about GTO, which was tough on the WNO but fun for everyone else.

After a lumpy, nervous first act in Cardiff's New Theatre, *Lucia* went very well, for reasons not unconnected to the doubts about *Tito*: in Julian Smith there was a conductor with palpable understanding of Donizetti's elusive idiom, and one in charge of a cleaned-up version of the score, blessedly free of "traditional" dottinesses, uncut, and with repeats properly decorated. As for Rennie Wright's production and Peter J. Davison's sets, they might best be described, in a different context, as good, plain cooking.

One of the best things about the evening, apart from the attentive orchestral playing and overwhelming sound from the chorus, was the way Smith and his staff helped the gifted young soprano Janice Watson through her first Lucia. She was given plenty of space in which to phrase expressively and use *fioriture* for dramatic as opposed to just show-off purposes. As she matures her soprano will gain more colour and juice, but as it is her bright, clean tone, even throughout the range and especially strong in the middle (where it matters), gives enormous pleasure.

She was partnered by the Edgardo of Martin Thompson, an American tenor with startling freedom at the top of the range: his tone blooms effortlessly just where all Three Tenors would start to tighten in panic. Some of the casting lower down was a little ropy, and Michael Druiett approached Raimondo rather as though the auditorium were full of casting directors on the lookout for a Hagen. There are better approaches. But Watson and Thompson are worth travelling miles to catch, and *Lucia* is, lest anyone forget, one of the blazing masterpieces of operatic literature.

Meanwhile Welsh National Opera's music director, Carlo Rizzi, is doing heavy duty at Covent Garden and, after his droopy *Butterfly*, it is good to report that on Saturday he led as spry, witty and effervescent an account of **L'italiana in Algeri** as I have heard. The orchestra played wonderfully for him.

But the point of this revival is that it marks the last stage appearances of Marilyn Horne in Rossini, the composer she has served so devotedly for most of her long and distinguished career. One of the most exciting things to have happened in the operatic world in the last 20 years has been the re-emergence of Rossini's serious operas, and this really couldn't have happened without Horne. She, virtually alone, had the technique, the range and the sheer daring to tackle his heroic trouser roles and make them work, gifts that made even Italian audiences adore her, gifts that by her example she has encouraged others to emulate.

She has them still: in this Indian summer of her career her tone has a beautiful, velvety sheen to it, and her less frequent recourse to meaty chest tone makes the voice sound ever more seamless. Her passage work is a row of pearls, each one perfectly placed, and she can spin a long Rossinian line on a thread of sound like nobody's business. Some of her comic effects are on the broad side, but the Ponnelle *Italiana* production is hateful anyway so it doesn't matter; if she sings like this, she could insert the "Dying Swan" and I would still be at her feet.

This revival is no one-person show. Bruce Ford is perhaps the most brilliant of the new generation of Rossini tenors, and he not only negotiated the technical minefield of Lindoro's cavatina without turning a hair, but made beautiful music of it as well.

The role is customarily played as a wimp; Ford is about as wimpish as Mount Rushmore, and a gifted comedian to boot. Add Alessandro Corbelli's classic Taddeo and Ruggero Raimondi giving a very good imitation of a Rossini bass, and you have an evening not to be missed.

DONALD COOPER



"Worth travelling miles to catch": Edgardo (Martin Thompson) and Lucia (Janice Watson) in Welsh National Opera's production of Donizetti's *Lucia di Lammermoor*

NEW YORK CONCERT

Bette's best yet

Bette Midler
Radio City

Any doubt that Bette Midler is the reigning queen of American pop has been banished by a spectacular new stage show at Radio City Music Hall, her first in ten years. The three-hour concert, called "Experience the Divine", is lavish, well-paced, alternately hilarious and sentimental — and as gaudy and outrageously tasteless as her staunchest fans could have wished.

She made her entrance on a sunburst trapeze, surrounded by billows of golden taffeta. After an exuberant rendition of "Friends", her theme song, she exclaimed, "I missed you! Ten years is a long time — but time flies when you're on Prozac" (a widely prescribed anti-depressant drug).

Fears that her successful film career in weepy Disney soap operas such as *Beaches* might have taken the edge off her wit were dispelled when she performed a very funny Jewish rap number written for the show. In it she proclaimed: "I've been tranquillised, psychoanalysed and Walt Disneyised, but don't I look good?"

After the opening number, she meandered with a series of turgid ballads from the late Seventies, not her best period. Then she regained momentum with a tribute to burlesque, including that raunchy standard "Pretty Legs and Great Big Knockers", which was interspersed with bawdy jokes in the tradition of the much-invoked Sophie Tucker.



Bette Midler: her return to the stage is a triumph

As always at a Midler concert, the patter mattered as much as the singing — and let the unhip beware. In the second act she revived an alter ego from her campy past, Delores DeLago, the mermaid lounge singer in a motorised wheelchair. For the finale, she brought out a chorus line of mermaids in wheelchairs, who wheeled about and flipped their fins in unison, a goofy tribute to Radio City's famed Rockettes.

One might cavil: a tirade about political correctness failed to get many laughs, and a few of the slow numbers might have been cut. The show concluded on a mellow note. Some emotional ballads were beautifully sung with just the right torchy flair, and a sob that only occasionally verged on excess.

But excess has always been Bette Midler's motto, and "Experience the Divine" is a well-earned triumph for her. Thirty-five performances were solidly sold out before the show opened, a record for the 5,874-seat house.

Liza and Frank, move over.

JAMIE JAMES

MUSIC: The 1993 Leeds International Pianoforte Competition and a London concert by a Japanese orchestra with John Lill as soloist

Honours even, justice done

Gerald Larner on a satisfying, though undramatic contest, which all of the six finalists proved worthy of winning

If you asked the conductor which of the finalists he expected to be chosen as winner of the Harveys Leeds International Pianoforte Competition, and if he was indiscreet enough to answer, he would probably say **Mark Anderson**. Certainly, of the six concerto performances given in Leeds Town Hall at the weekend and broadcast live on both BBC 2 and Radio 3, the most successful in terms of understanding between soloist, conductor and orchestra was the last of them, in which the 29-year-old American — one of the oldest of the 76 competitors — did scarcely anything wrong.

The problem was that, with the best will in the world, **Simon Rattle** and the **City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra** outshone the pianist in Brahms's Concerto in D minor. They would set the standards in dramatic intensity, in poetic sensitivity, in rhythmic energy and he would consistently fall short of them. Ultimately lacking in authority, he was placed third and awarded a prize of £3,000.

The 29-year-old Brazilian pianist **Ricardo Castro** similarly did nothing wrong in Beethoven's "Emperor" Concerto. It was a thoroughly admirable if utterly unmoving interpretation and, lacking nothing in authority, it won him the first prize of £10,000.

The hundred or so orchestras, festivals, and music societies which are already committed to giving him an engagement during the next three years will not be disappointed. But to get the best from him they should persuade him to perform something that challenges his impressively secure large-scale technique or which fires his imagination, such as the Liszt *Dante Sonata* or the Debussy *Images* which he played in the semi-finals.

SIMON WILKINSON



Ricardo Castro, winner of the 1993 Leeds International Pianoforte Competition, with Simon Rattle (rear)

The most interesting of the finalists was the youngest, **Leon McCawley**, the one British pianist to survive to this stage in the competition. Having gone straight from Chetham's School in Manchester to the Curtis Institute in Philadelphia with a scholarship awarded by the National Power World Piano Competition in London two years ago, he is still only 20 years old and tremendously promising.

McCawley's ear for sonority in Beethoven's Piano Concerto No 1 in C, for the colouring of the piano part not only in itself but also in relationship with the orchestra, was something unrivalled by any other competitor. He has courage and strength too, as he demonstrated by choosing the longest of the three alternative first-movement cadenzas and virtually building a sonata out of it.

He was awarded the second prize of £5,000 which, though disappointing to some observers, will surely be most encouraging to the pianist himself.

If the least interesting finalist was **Filippo Gamba**, the 24-year-old Italian who was awarded fourth prize for his stolid interpretation of Beethoven's Piano Concerto No 3 in C minor, no one — least of all Rattle and the CBSO — could fail to have been fascinated by the performances of the two young Russians, **Maxim Philippov**, who won the special Rachmaninov Prize and was placed fifth overall, and **Margarita Shevchenko**, who came sixth.

He gave a mercurial, hectically inspired, but unformed and underweight account of Rachmaninov's Piano Concerto No 3. She, after a nervy start, earned the superlative of the competition by offering the fastest ever last movement of Beethoven's Piano Concerto No 1 in C, which was thrilling but not exactly authentic.

All in all, it was a valuable competition with an acceptable result, in spite of the complaints about the substandard Steinway used in the semi-finals and the continuing embarrassment caused by royal protocol. Surely the Duchess of Kent would not mind if the audience did not have to rise to its feet every time she enters the hall (five times in one final) and if she were to be seated before the soloist is in place at the piano.

As ever, it was fun, too. Researching her next novel, to be called *Apassionata* (what else?), Jilly Cooper will not have left Leeds Town Hall with a shortage of suitable material.

Plenty of life on show

YNSO/Otaka
Barbican

The Yomiuri Nippon Symphony Orchestra is apparently the only orchestra in the world owned by a newspaper, the *Yomiuri Shimbun*, which also happens to be the paper with the largest daily circulation — 14 million or so copies. Does it have music critics? If so, are they permitted to give reviews that are a few decibels less than deafening in their acclaim? An unenviable moral dilemma indeed.

Helpfully for those critics, the orchestra's concert celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the death of Rachmaninov showed that they are really quite a good band, perhaps not one of the glossiest around but giving lie to the theory that Japanese orchestras always consist of armies of automata. Under the conducting of Tadaaki Otaka, who has been their chief conductor since 1992, they reacted with a touching and genuine passion to both pieces programmed, Rachmaninov's Second Piano Concerto and the Second Symphony. It was disturbing, however, to see only three women in their ranks. Even today, it seems that in the Land of the Rising Sun it is more difficult for its daughters to rise.

The band's appealing characteristics include a brass section that resists the temptation to play too brightly, one of the shortcomings that the Barbican's acoustics readily reveal. The strings are firm, without the magic aura of sheer satin perfection that surrounds those of the Vienna Philharmonic or Berlin Philharmonic, but more than merely honest; the violas in particular play with a rich and positive projection. The woodwinds, too, have plenty of character, which probably means that some would regard them as less than impeccable, though I like, for instance, a clarinet to have an edginess about its tone.

As an act of homage the programme could have perhaps been a touch more adventurous, especially as playing the populist card with the concerto failed to bring in a very large house. **John Lill**, the soloist in that work, seemed happy with a rather deliberate opening tempo, though Otaka was for a few moments in danger of allowing imagination to slacken with the pace. In the end the tension was maintained, however. The slow movement duly contained its requisite melting moments from both Lill and flute and clarinet soloists, and the finale possessed more than adequate sweep, swagger and brilliance.

Perhaps it was because there was no longer the responsibility of staying with the soloist — not that Lill is a difficult man in that respect — but the symphony seemed to inspire yet deeper responses. Here Otaka, his men, and, notably, his excellent female principal clarinettist played, if not quite as though Russian to their core, then with a deep understanding of the complexities of this vast canvas and a refreshing willingness to go with the ebb and flow of its emotions.

STEPHEN PETTITT



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LONDON

OLEANNA: Power, politics and punishment at an American university. Great performances by David Suchet and Lia Williams in Harold Pinter's production of David Mamet's play
Duke of York's, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-836 5122). Mon-Sat, 7.30 pm, mats Thurs, 3pm and Sat, 4pm

BOHEMIAN LIGHTS: The Gate re-opens with twice as many seats, yet keeping the same intimacy. The first play is Valle-Inclán's vision of a country in turmoil, transposed from 1924 Spain to 1915 Dublin
Gate, 11, Pembridge Road, W11 (071-229 0706). 7.30pm. 150mins

CHICO FREEMAN. Expect bracing performances from the Chicago-born tenor saxophonist appearing here in a quintet featuring the powerful alto-saxophonist Arthur Blythe
Ronnie Scott's, 47 Frith Street, W1 (071-439 0747). From tonight for two weeks, 8.30pm.

BERTHOLD GOLDSCHMIDT 90TH BIRTHDAY CONCERT. The veteran Austrian composer is at last beginning to receive the attention he deserves. He remains as active as ever. This celebratory evening combines a discussion between Goldschmidt and fellow-composer Robert Saxton with performances of several of Goldschmidt's chamber works, all written in the last decade.
Purcell Room, South Bank, SE1 (071-928 8800). 8pm.

TODAY'S CHOICE

A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Marit Hargie

LONDON SCHOOLS SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA: Under the experienced direction of Sir Colin Davis this group of young musicians performs a programme of Elgar, Schumann and Sibelius.
Barbican, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). 7.30pm. ◪

THE CRITICS' CHOICE: Christie's have persuaded 20 art critics to select four works each by young, unknown artists to sell at auction on September 23. The proceeds from sale of the catalogue goes to Childline and the proceeds of the sale itself to the artists. The auction is preceded by a show of the works nominated
Christie's, 8 King Street, SW1 (071-839 9000), today-Thurs, 9am-4.30pm

ELSEWHERE

BRISTOL: The hard-rocking all-female band, **Babes in Toyland**, which split up last year, has now reformed. Their latest offering, *Painkillers*, combines reworked live material and four biting new songs.
Bierkeller (0272 268514), 8pm.

BIRMINGHAM: Damian Lewis and Josette Bushell-Mingo play the title roles in **Romeo and Juliet**. Mona Hammond and Michael Cashman are also in the cast
Repertory Theatre, Centenary Square (021 236 4455), 7.30pm.

LEEDS: Phoenix Dance Company opens its new season with a programme of contemporary dance that features two world premieres. The first, *Fatal Strategy*, is by the American choreographer Donald Byrd and is "inspired by the human motives of seduction and counter-seduction". The second world premiere comes courtesy of Pamela Johnson, whose *Face Our Own Face* looks at images of black women. The evening is completed by Darshan Singh Bhuller's *Heart of Chaos*, a work which lifts the lid on male violence via the metaphor of boxing
West Yorkshire Playhouse, The Quarry, Hill Mount, Leeds (0532 442111). Tonight-next Sat, 7.45pm. ◪

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London

■ House full, returns only
◪ Some seats available
☐ Seats at all prices

☐ **THE BABY:** Chris Hannan, author of award-winning The Evil Doers, intriguingly sets his new play in the rotten streets of Rome, BC78
Bush, Shepherds Bush Green, W12 (081-743 3388). Mon-Sat, 8pm.

■ **CAROUSEL:** Tuneful Rodgers and Hammerstein, the familiar mixture of the perceptive and the maudlin. Clever sets. Michael Hayden and Joanna Riding still head the cast
Shaftesbury, Shaftesbury Avenue, WC2 (071-379 5399). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat 2.30pm. 165mins.

◪ **CITY OF ANGELS:** Top quality Larry Gelbart/Cy Coleman musical, packed with wit, set in LA and the world of the private eye movie
Prince of Wales, Coventry Street, W1 (071-839 5972). Mon-Sat 7.30pm, mat Wed, Sat, 2.30pm. 160mins

◪ **CRAZY FOR YOU:** Thrillingly staged new version of the Gershwin musical Girl Crazy
Prince Edward, Old Compton Street, W1 (071-734 8951). Tue-Sat 7.45pm, mat Thurs, Sat, 3pm. 150mins. Booking to Sept 4th

■ **GREASE:** Energetic, well-danced revival taking a nostalgic look at the innocent 1950s. Skimpy story of teenage love, but the tunes are catchy
Dominion, Tottenham Court Road, W1 (071-580 8845). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed and Sat, 3pm. 150mins.

☐ **HAIR:** The Age of Aquarius dawns again. A pleasantish stroll down memory lane. Michael Bogdanov directs
Old Vic, Waterloo Road, SE1 (071-928 7616). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Fri, Sat, 4pm. 180mins

☐ **AN INSPECTOR CALLS:** Stephen Daldry's marvellously re-imagined version of Priestley's social thriller
Aldwych, Aldwych, WC2 (071-836 6404). Mon-Fri, 7.45pm, Sat, 5pm and 8.15pm, mat Wed, 2.30pm ◪

☐ **LYSISTRATA:** Geraldine James inspires the women of Athens to deny their men the joys of sex. Peter Hall's vigorously phallic production
Wyndham's, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (071-867 1116). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm and Sat, 5pm

◪ **MOONLIGHT:** A man on his death-bed rages against the dying of the light. Ian Holm, and Anna Massey head a strong cast in Pinter's fascinating new play sensitively directed by David Leveaux.
Almeida, Almeida Street, N1 (071-359 4404). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mat Sat, 4pm. 80mins.

☐ **MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING.** Shakespeare on Shaftesbury Avenue, with Mark Rylance and Janet McTeer, proves funnier and friendlier than many a subsidised production
Queen's, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-494 5041). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mat Sat, 2.30pm. 165mins.

☐ **THE ODYSSEY:** Ron Cook plays the traveller in Derek Walcott's mighty version of the old epic. Thrilling sound and spectacle
The Pit, Barbican Centre, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight-Sat, 7.15pm, mats Thurs and Sat, 2pm. 180mins ◪

☐ **SEPARATE TABLES:** Peter Bowles and Patricia Hodge tap heartfelt emotions in Peter Hall's welcome revival of Rattigan.
Albery, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-867 1115). Tue-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm and Sat, 4pm. 150mins. ◪

☐ **A SLICE OF SATURDAY NIGHT:** A wretched look at the clubbing habits of 1960s yoof. Starring Dennis Waterman.
Strand Theatre, Strand, WC2 (071-930 8800). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Fri, Sat, 4pm.

■ **SUNSET BOULEVARD:** Triumph for Patti Lupone as the faded star in Lloyd Webber's success. Less cynical than the Wilder film but a thrilling occasion. Trevor Nunn directs
Adelphi Theatre, Strand, WC2 (071-344 0055). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs and Sats, 3pm.

■ **SWEENEY TODD:** Declan Donnellan's superb staging of Sondheim's subtle, savage musical. Alun Armstrong and Julia McKenzie play the leads
National (Cottesloe), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Tonight, 7.30pm. 180mins ◪

☐ **TIME OF MY LIFE:** One of Ayckbourn's best family plays, roving back and forth in time. Anton Rodgers and Gwen Taylor play the older couple, the others are unchanged from the excellent Scarborough cast.
Vaudeville, Strand, WC2 (071-836 9987). Mon-Fri, 7.45pm, Sat, 8pm, mats Weds 2.30pm, Sats 4pm

LONG RUNNERS. ☐ **Blood Brothers**: Phoenix (071-867 1044). ◪ **Buddy**: Victoria Palace (071-834 1317). ◪ **Cats**: New London (071-405 0072). ☐ **Don't Dress for Dinner**: Duchess (071-494 5070). **Guys Named Moe**: Lyric (071-494 5045). ◪ **Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat**: Palladium (071-494 5037). ◪ **Les Misérables**: Palace (071-434 0909). ◪ **Miss Saigon**: Theatre Royal, Drury Lane (071-494 5400). ☐ **The Mousetrap**: St Martin's (071-836 1443). ☐ **On The Piste**: Garrick (071-494 5085). ■ **The Phantom of the Opera**: Her Majesty's (071-494 5400). ◪ **Starlight Express**: Apollo Victoria (071-828 8665). ☐ **Travels With My Aunt**: Whitehall (071-867 1119). ☐ **The Woman in Black**: Fortune (071-836 2238).

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CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country

NEW RELEASES

ACCION MUTANTE (18): Disabled terrorists kidnap bread tycoon heiress. Largely lamentable Spanish spoof, directed by Alex de la Iglesia.
Metro (071-437 0757) **MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **MGM Haymarket** (071-839 1527) **MGM Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148)

THE BABY OF MACON (18): Seventeenth-century actors perform a play about a miraculous birth. Oppressive, infuriating Peter Greenaway extravaganza.
Camden Plaza (071-485 2443) **Gate** ◪ (071-727 4043) **Lumière** (071-836 0691) **MGM Fulham Road** ◪ (071-370 2636)

THE CRUSH (15): Psychopathic Lolita ensnares naive reporter. Good-looking but redundant potboiler, with Cary Elwes, Alicia Silverstone. Director, Alan Shapiro
MGM Oxford Street (071-636 0310) **Odeon Kensington** (0426 914666) **Odeon West End** (0426 915574) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332)

DAUGHTERS OF THE DUST: Wildly visual exploration of an African-American island community. Striking first feature for Julie Dash.
ICA ◪ (071-930 3647)

WHAT'S LOVE GOT TO DO WITH IT (18): Tina Turner's life story. Powerful acting from Angela Bassett and Laurence Fishburne redeem the clichés. Director, Brian Gibson.
Odeon Kensington (0426 914666) **Odeon West End** (0426 915574) **Screen on the Green** (071-226 3520) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332)

CURRENT

APRES L'AMOUR (15): French love tangles, carefully unravelled by director Diane Kurys and an excellent cast: Isabelle Huppert, Hypolite Girardot, Bernard Giraudeau.
Barbican ◪ (071-638 8891) **Curzon Mayfair** (071-465 8865)

BLUE: Derek Jarman's extraordinary reverie on Aids, blindness and the colour blue. Unlike any film in history
MGM Panton Street (071-930 0631)

LES ENFANTS DU PARADIS (PG): Welcome revival of Marcel Carné and Jacques Prévert's classic — a triumphant blend of 19th-century stage history, fantasy and romance. With Arletty, Jean-Louis Barrault, Pierre Brasseur
Renoir (071-837 8402)

ERASERHEAD (18): David Lynch's first film, completed in 1978, an extraordinary dream fantasy about love and sexuality. Revived with an improved soundtrack.
MGM Piccadilly (071-437 3561)

◆ **THE FIRM** (15): Tom Cruise discovers his law firm fronts for the Mafia. Star power galore, but little meat. With Gene Hackman, Ed Harris. Sydney Pollack directs
Barbican ◪ (071-638 8891) **Empire** ◪ (071-497 9999) **MGM Baker Street** (071-935 9772) **MGM Fulham Road** ◪ (071-370 2636) **MGM Trocadero** ◪ (071-434 0031) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332)

◆ **IN THE LINE OF FIRE** (15): Secret Service agent Clint Eastwood fights John Malkovich's psychopath and his own guilt. Sturdy thriller, directed by Wolfgang Petersen.
Notting Hill Coronet ◪ (071-727 6705) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426 914666) **Leicester Square** (0426-915 683) **Marble Arch** (0426 914501) **Swiss Cottage** (071-586 3057) **Screen on Baker Street** (071-935 2772) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332)

THE LIE (15): Refreshing, straightforward French drama about facing up to Aids. Francois Margolin directs Nathalie Baye and Didier Sandre
MGM Swiss Centre (071-439 4470) **MGM Trocadero** ◪ (071-434 0031)

◆ **MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING** (PG): Fast-food Shakespeare from Kenneth Branagh, with rollicking actors, clearly-spoken verse, but little film finesse.
Chelsea (071-351 3742/3743) **Empire** (071-437 1234/497 9999) **MGM Fulham Road** (071-370 2636) **MGM Shaftesbury Avenue** (071-836 6279) **MGM Tottenham Court Road** (071-636 6148) **Odeon Swiss Cottage** (0426 914098) **Plaza** (071-497 9999) **Screen on Baker Street** (071-935 2772) **Screen on the Hill** ◪ (071-435 3366) **UCI Whiteleys** ◪ (071-792 3332)

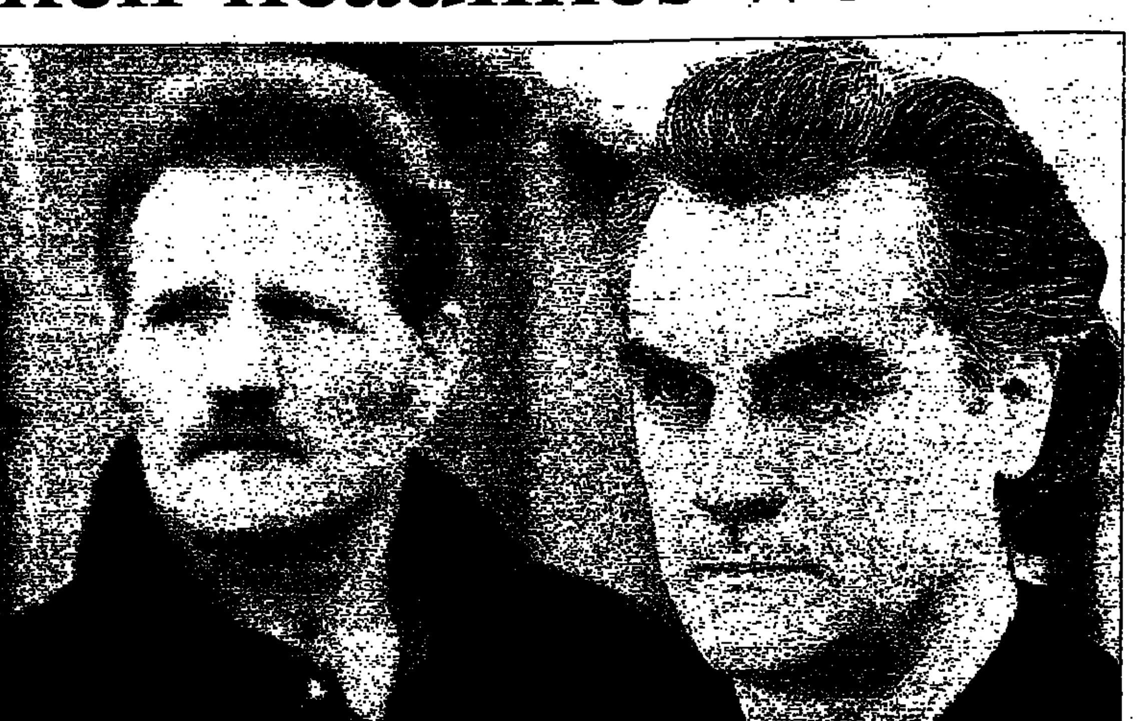
◆ **THE NIGHT WE NEVER MET** (15): Romantic mix-ups in a time-shared New York apartment. Endearing comedy.
Odeon Haymarket (0426-915 353)

◆ **PASSION FISH** (15): Crippled soap star and her secretive nurse undergo rehabilitation. Enjoyable, loving, leisurely film from John Sayles
Curzon West End (071-439 4805) **MGM Chelsea** (071-352 5096) **MGM Trocadero** (071-434 0031) **Odeons: Kensington** (0426-914 666) **Swiss Cottage** (071-586 3057)

LE SAMOURAI (PG): Downfall of an icy hired killer (Alain Delon). Superb stylised gangster drama of 1967
Renoir (071-837 8402)

TELEVISION: **Lynne Truss** reviews a disappointing new series and a fine play

At least their headlines worked



Western-style on Glasgow streets: Rab Affleck and Billy Connolly in last night's *Down Among the Big Boys*

IF THERE is one thing guaranteed to strike a false note in television drama, it is the fake newspaper headlines. "Have you seen *this*?" demands a rattled politician, casting a rag-sheet on someone's desk and anxiously biting his lip. But it never looks right. The typeface is approximate, the rhetorical tone rings like a pebble in a tin-can, and (most heinous of all) the words don't even *fit*.

It is a small point, hardly worth mentioning, except that the new Saturday series **Harry** (BBC1) — in which Michael Elphick runs a northern press agency, supplying stories for national tabloids — appears to have bucked the trend. When one finally saw his story in print ("Rogue tattooist — a travelling menace") it looked, for once, quite authentic.

Sad, then, that everything else was so lousy. The trouble with Harry (to coin a phrase) was that it didn't know whether it was *Carry on Stringing* or *Defence of the Realm*. Hiring a Cambridge-educated cub reporter, gruff old Harry promptly assigns him the task of spiriting a rogue tattooist from thin air (a variation of "Right laddie, here's the budgie, there's the chimney, now write the story"). This is all fine.

But meanwhile events of huge, confusing, conspiracy-theory proportions are unfolding: Harry's office is subjected to acid attack; a nice harmless pit owner is horribly hanged; a *black FBI agent* turns up at Darlington nick. The viewer wonders "Why? What? In as much as which?" But the episode skids to a halt without answering.

Michael Elphick is always watchable, but he was best here in his quiet bar-stool scenes, less convincing when barking orders, or being unbearably squidgy with his glamorous wife. (Why Harry must live in a cottage illuminated entirely by candles was a puzzler, by the way. If it is customary for regional news-gatherers to eschew electricity, I must say I have never heard of it.)

Last night's Screen One play, **Down Among the Big Boys** (BBC1), starring Billy Connolly and written by Peter McDougall, was another study of an uxorious hard man. But it figured in a completely different league.

"Sorry mate, private bar," says one of Connolly's henchmen, when a punter takes the wrong turning in a Glasgow pub. The chap looks at a sign: it says "Public Bar". "Spelling mistake," explains the henchman. At this point Connolly walks through. "That guy there just walked in," objects the man. "When that guy there walks down the street," hisses the henchman, "guys jump up closes."

In last Wednesday's *Late Show*, McDougall's work (which started with the phenomenal *Just Another Saturday* in 1974) was described as an importation of the western. *Down Among the Big Boys* gave us heist-movie and *Romeo and Juliet*, too — with Connolly masterminding a deposit-box robbery, his daughter marrying a CID man — but it was still the western that came to mind. The restless outlaw who loves his womenfolk! The young idealist's search for a worthy father!

It was a fine play, with some of the expletives obligingly softened to "hump" (as in "We're humped", "Go hump yourself"). And there were good performances, especially JoJo (Connolly) and Young Louie (Douglas Henshaw).

But besides that, *Down Among the Big Boys* should enter television history for the scene of the Orange flute band beating the drum in the street, while the gang in the vault below — excited, and stripped to the waist — gaily blast deposit boxes while prancing in time to the music. Like much else in the script, this stuff was pure Hollywood, yet also purely McDougall's home patch.

FRINGE THEATRE: A tense drama from Chile; and a slack evening of transvestite cabaret

Worm turned serpent

Paper Flowers
Watermans, Brentford

EVA is well-to-do, well-groomed, well adjusted to the moneyed society in which she moves. Her conversation revolves around matters of food, furniture, her ex-husband's tennis clothes and Pepito the canary.

Roberto, destitute and starving, has no status in her society. His only possessions are the grubby clothes he is wearing when she spots him outside the supermarket and lets him carry her groceries. Living hand to mouth in the slums by the river, he is one of the dispossessed — because once he and his kind did possess a quality they have now lost: a capacity to love.

Having entered her apartment he will not leave until the play's chilling last moments. First he seems prepared to go, were it not for two enemies waiting in the street to do him over. He stays for an hour, for a night, and by then Eva needs him to stay.

Egon Wolff wrote this taut play just before Chile's social unrest brought Allende to power in 1970. Widely produced in Latin America, this is its first appearance here. And though the character of Eva is not explored deeper than the layer of her bafflement and sexual longing, the author has created in Roberto a fascinating, frightening presence.

The blend of charm, honesty and deceit makes him an individual in his own right, yet one who can be understood as a projection of the affluent middle class's bad conscience. Roberto has come out of the slums, invading and wrecking Eva's deceptively safe little life.

Eventually, we must conclude, he does make what custom calls "love" to her, having ignored her previous, increasingly deceptive invitations, but the ferocity of it has turned her catatonic. The room has now been converted into something like a gigantic birdcage — Pepito has long since shuffled off his mortal perch — and Eva, silent and dressed in the tatters of her bridal gown, takes the caged bird's place on a swing.

Linda Marlowe plays Eva efficiently but it is not a role to exploit her physical and vocal range. David Threlfall's Roberto is utterly compelling. Shambling about, skipping when alone, squatting on his hunkers watching her play the good hostess, or delighting her with his skill at turning newspapers into flowers; half-swallowing his words until launching himself free of this mumble to deliver a lyrical, offbeat worm's-eye view of humanity — his performance is never showy or clever-clever but all of a piece with the pain of the worm about to become a serpent. Andy Gill's production for Ex Animus Theatre turns the screw ably.

JEREMY KINGSTON

Cross-dressing room

Brenda: A Star is Torn
Boulevard, Soho

HERE is transvestite cabaret dressed up in the scantiest of storylines. Brenda Llewelyn is a nightclub stand-up and singer stuck in a Welsh backwater. Just about keeping her balance in spangled platform shoes and a skin-tight rubber mini-skirt with a dangerously outsize perm, this character pops her head into the action at the start, the interval, and the end. We are meant to believe the scenes in between are Brenda's fantasies of being big-time.

This dramatic frame fools nobody. The evening is patently just a string of sketches by Ceri Dupree, the drag queen who acts as Brenda and spends three hours doing imitations of the goddesses of the gay scene: everyone from Julie Andrews to Tina Turner.

The wigs, by Rawdon Slater and Vince Benham, are wonderful: glamorous and absurd. Doing Tina Turner in concert, Dupree dances in the style of a psychotic bothered by a wasp, flicking at what looks more like a pelt of a back-combed Highland cow than a head of hair.

Dupree cross-dresses in equally extravagant style. His evening dresses are awash with sequins, he is up to the neck in a flood of fake diamonds, and his boas are the kind a girl could drown in. Some of his impersonations are amusing. He plays the diminutive Edith Piaf on his knees, with a shoe sticking out from each patella and an alarming tick of getting stuck on rolled Rs. "Je ne regrette rien" is the hit single of a hydraulic drill.

And when his subject is deep-voiced and long-faced, like Dietrich, he can be a startling double. Elsewhere, however, his impersonations are not good enough. Many sketches should just be scrapped. Dupree is at his best being bitchy about audience members' dress sense, but he does not excel at improvisation and his script is little more than clusters of one-liners and double-entendres. The humour is unintelligent and the audience waits around for costume changes enduring crass interludes by Dupree's two sidekicks.

Meanwhile, seeing Dupree, in silhouette, stripping down to seeming nakedness and swapping sexes has its fascinations. Not the twentieth time round, though. He is blessed with the sort of body the fashion world wants women to have. His legs go on for ever. But then, so does his show.

KATE BASSETT

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Darkness on the bright water

Derwent May delves into the troubled life of an eccentric Scottish naturalist who entranced millions with the story of his otters

Gavin Maxwell died almost 25 years ago, but millions of people in the world still keep a vivid picture of him — the man who lived with his otters in his house on the Scottish beach in the "ring of bright water". That was the title he gave his most famous book: it described the shining burn that curled round the house and ran into the sea, on this lonely stretch of coast opposite Skye. In the book he called the place Camusfearna, "the bay of alders"; its real name was Sandaig, as his readers soon found out — and they went to plague him there, just as they have done to Peter Mayle in Provence.

Those enthusiastic readers had received a very sentimental picture of Maxwell. In fact, his idyll at Sandaig was short-lived, and most of his life was a turbulent drama. He came from a wealthy and titled Scottish family, but he was a shy boy, most at home from a very early age on the moors and with the wild creatures he collected. His mother loved him, and darned his socks till he was into his forties, but he had a hard time at his prep school. He did not take long after that to develop an arrogant and swashbuckling style of living, and, deeper down, an almost mad distrust of anyone who liked him and became his friend. The visitors to Sandaig were only one plague among the many that afflicted him throughout his life.

But he set about that life with vigour. When the war came, he got into SOE as a trainer in fieldcraft — and was always in trouble for such things as asking for compassionate leave when his pet flamingos flew out to sea. But two events conspired here to set him on his course: he met a soldier from the Hebrides, and they spent dreamy hours together poring over maps of the islands; and he went shark-fishing. He bought the Isle of Soay and, as soon as the war was over, set up a shark fishery there.

It failed, like so many of his ventures. So he raced his Bentley at Silverstone (and also, at 150 mph, down public roads); he tried portrait painting in London; he published a few poems in the *New Statesman*. He did not know where he belonged. But he had by now lit on, and bought, the house at Sandaig, and he thought he would see if he could settle down there and write a book. The result was *Harpoon at a Venture*, the story of his sharking adventures. It was one of the big publishing successes of 1952.

At last he was on his way. He had discovered that he was a brilliant descriptive and narrative writer: all he had to do was to find dramatic subjects. He went to Sicily, without knowing any Italian, and wrote a book about the bandit hero Salvatore Giuliano, *God Protect Me From My Friends*. (That was to return and plague him years later with a libel action, during which he alienated the jury by wearing extremely dark glasses.) He travelled with Wilfred Thesiger through the Iraq marshes; he lost Thesiger's friendship but he wrote *A Reed Shaken by the Wind*. Yet he was already wondering if, in his heart, he was a writer. Once, hearing "the desolate music" of a stag in rut, he wrote: "This was my world, shared with the wild creatures . . . and I felt I had no place at a writing desk."

Yet he was now on the threshold of the best part of his life. In the marshes he acquired his first otter, Mijbil — and in May 1956 he took "Mij" back to live with him at Sandaig. *Ring of Bright Water* tells that story. Maxwell had a closer, more unbroken relationship with Mij and his subsequent otters than with any of the lovers who briefly crossed his path. In his simple cottage, he lived in baronial style, entertaining his friends to magnificent meals of lobster and game that he cooked himself (and spending £20 a week on eels from London for the otters). But none of his homosexual affairs seem to have touched him very deeply, in spite of his lavish generosity to one or two young men; while his relationships with women — more fully described in this book than the homosexual ones — were nightmares.

The poet Kathleen Raine fell deeply in love with him, and indeed wrote the poem from which the line "ring of bright water" comes. But they spent only one night together, chastely, and in a bitter moment she cursed him under the rowan tree at Sandaig — a curse on which he blamed his later plagues. When he was 47 he married Lavinia Renton, a strong and gentle woman of 37 who also loved him intensely, but after a year she was banned entry to Sandaig, with Maxwell counting the exact number of times he had made love to her without her conceiving. They soon divorced.

He spent all his money; Mij was murdered by a passer-by on the roadside, the other otters turned savage and inflicted some terrible wounds on visitors. Maxwell constantly had severe pains that the doctors could not explain. He sold Sandaig, and had one more brief period of contentment in a lighthouse cottage: there he could look down at the passing boats but no one could reach him. In 1965, when he was 51, he published what is perhaps his best book of all, his childhood memoir *The House of Elrig*. He dreamt up one last, exotic scheme — planting the island shore with small, coloured windmills to attract eider duck, in the hope of selling their down. Finally, cancer was diagnosed; and he died, riddled with it, at 55.

This biography of him by a friend begins badly. Mr Botting seems at first to be writing for some magazine whose readers know nothing, and are most comfortable with clichés: we even find Gavin "immured among the sooty streets of London in dull despair". At this stage, a quotation from Maxwell himself falls like sunlight across the pages. But as the story gathers momentum and excitement it gets better and better, and one races eagerly on to the end. Kathleen Raine deserves the last word: "Gavin's life was a tragedy . . . But he lived his life — he didn't sleep through it."

GAVIN MAXWELL: A LIFE
By Douglas Botting
HarperCollins, £22.50



Gavin Maxwell at Sandaig in 1956 with his first otter Mij whom he found in the marshes of Iraq

PAPERBACKS

A FAR OFF PLACE
By Laurens van der Post
Penguin, £6.99
REISSUED to coincide with the new Disney film, this book describes how a young couple escaped a murderous attack on their remote settlement in the African interior, and together with two Bushmen, journey across the dark continent for a year to find safety. The author is a storyteller rather than a novelist. Again and again his voice breaks through the narrative, the voice of a romantic old wayfarer, fondly reminiscing about his beloved Africa. His tale is a framework on which to hang his memories, each one beautifully crafted, richly evocative, and finished with the didactic edge that has earned him his status as a guru.

THE LAST GUESTS OF THE SEASON
By Sue Gee
Arrow, £4.99
THE idyllic summer holiday is rarely realised — never less so than for these two families who decide to share a villa in Portugal. Claire and Frances thought they knew each other at university. Their husbands and children would seem to have everything in common. Gee understands that family situations are seldom simple. Against the beautifully described background of rural Portugal she develops the tensions within and between the families. Misunderstanding and incomprehension accumulate and tragedy beckons. The holiday brings a collective loss of innocence and a new honesty.

ASK THE FELLOWS WHO CUT THE HAY
By George Ewart Evans
Faber, £7.99
THIS classic work of oral history was first published in 1956, when there were still people in the author's home village of Blaxhall in Suffolk who could remember life in the latter half of the 19th century. They were the last survivors of a rural economy which had its roots in the Middle Ages and which disappeared with the arrival of the internal combustion engine. Some of the their words could come straight out of Shakespeare. Ewart Evans quietly and unsentimentally records both the harshness and the conviviality of that life, and the beautiful precision of methods which were based on centuries of knowledge and experience.

● *Contributors: Alexander Ross, Katherine Bergen, Hazel Leslie*

Sex, death and interiors

Lois Rathbone

THE FATAL BODICE
By Alina Reyes
Methuen, £9.99

SMITH
By Geoff Hill
Blackstaff, £5.95 pbk original

Alina Reyes's risqué subject matter has not prevented the French from taking her very seriously indeed. Her first slim novel, *The Butcher*, originally an entry in a competition for pornographic writing, was later shortlisted for the Goncourt prize. Her next, the dreadful *Lucie's Long Voyage*, had a woman copulating with a mountain bear. For her third novel, *The Fatal Bodice*, her publishers have again reproduced a tasteful Man Ray nude for the cover, but sex barely rears its head.

The plot is slight and full of holes. Two young women, once childhood friends, and perhaps twins (the question is never answered) are separated for many years. One — known only as L — has returned to Bordeaux to bury her uncle and clear up his effects. She stays at his old flat, in which she finds hundreds of pairs of women's stockings, stuffed into old jamjars. Alice, her deranged twin/friend, has escaped from a local rest home and, Miss Havisham-like in an old wedding dress, seeks out L (knowing she is in town, we presume, from some sort of sixth sense).

Meanwhile L has fallen in love with a painter in a neighbouring flat, and poses in the nude for him, daubed liberally with red ink (the painter likes the idea of menstruating women). Not from want of trying on L's part, however, things go no further.

Having decided that sex is not the central issue between these three people, Reyes seems to lose heart and winds up the book quickly on a highly melodramatic note with a symbolic death. The friendship between the two girls, laced with lesbianism as it inevitably is, never burns with the same furnace-like intensity as that between her former lusty heroines with their butchers and their bears. Here, instead, her delicate, ethereal writing produces less eroticism than unsatisfying obscurity and, at barely a hundred pages of big print, the book is hardly a bargain.

At first sight Geoff Hill looks as if he could have graduated from the same school of creative writing. The characters in *Smith*, his first novel, are known simply as Smith, Wolf (who is a woman) and "the lawyer's wife". But despite the awful publisher's blurb, which promises that these names are "milestones on a journey from despair into hope, from sadness to the edge of love", *Smith* is altogether lighter and funnier than one might expect.

Set somewhere in Northern Ireland, Smith is an interior decorator, still reeling from his wife's suicide a year before. He begins a decorating job for a lawyer, hence coming into daily contact with the lawyer's wife, with whom he soon starts an affair. She is an inveterate shoplifter and in this context meets Wolf, a store detective, (and co-incidentally Smith's regular girlfriend). Wolf and the lawyer's wife are soon in bed themselves.

Smith is the sort of decorator who likes to "theme" his rooms, and his efforts to foist his ideas on the reluctant lawyer — who has been persuaded into this expensive venture by his wife, and who insists on incorporating his



Reyes: obscure eroticism

grandmother's furniture into the scheme — are quietly hilarious. In particular the "autumnal" dining room, with its hand-painted "fallen leaves" floor, the "nomad's" tented bedroom and the all-black bathroom sound ghastly.

When not decorating, Smith wanders morosely around his dusty house, day-dreaming about his dead wife. The house gets colder as the autumn degenerates into a foul winter, and Smith, without food or electricity, takes to his flea-ridden bed permanently.

But Smith is an endearing character and Hill thoughtfully manages to rescue him from this slough of despond. An offbeat and imaginative début.

A dour Scot's demons

Ian McIntyre

REBECCA'S VEST
By Karl Miller
Hamish Hamilton, £14.99

The title is a joke. A Scottish one. Karl Miller is a tease, not a traveller in ladies' underwear. The vest in question, as those who know their *Ivanhoe* will remember, was "a simarre of the richest Persian silk" which did not altogether conceal the wearer's lovely neck and bosom. One can well imagine ("one kept saying 'one' at this time," Miller writes, recalling Cambridge in the 1950s) that translated into French, *La Simarre de Rebecca* would walk onto the shortlist for several fashionable literary prizes, not excluding those for novels. Judging it as a memoir, by a fellow Scot, in English, is more difficult.

"Some excellent divinations and some damned hard Edinburgh thinking," — thus Anthony Burgess about Miller's earlier book *Doubles*, which was about split personality and literary duality. The preoccupation was a precocious one. In a radio play written in his teens, Miller had Ben Jonson discoursing on a Scotland where the monsters (and the men) "are double-tongued and two-faced, and where their heads grow underneath their arms, like bagpipes and like Tudor ghosts."

Out of his first quarter century Miller has wrung a dry and sardonic book, laced with uncertainty, self-mockery and pain. Neither of his parents "had escaped from a time and place where tenderness was classed with the sweet things that might not be good for you". For him, the song of *songs remains* "Let kindness prevail" from *La Cenerentola*: "It belongs to a happy ending, but it makes a sad, indeed a tragic sound."

His reputation as an editor is high (he was editor of *The Listener*, and until recently of the *London Review of Books*). But at the door of Miller the writer crouch two demons called Self-Absorption and Stylistic Obscurity. When he evades them, the gifts he displays are sparkling. Hugh McDiarmid sits in his Lanarkshire cottage "surrounded by his mementoes like some old guerrilla general". At Harwich, during national service, other ranks are loaded onto a troopship "like a netful of gorillas or a deck of refrigerated whalemeat". A corporal's salute, a masterpiece of false ceremony, "started as a foppish grovel and flowered into a semaphoric orchid or flamingo".

He is good on Leavis — fair and funny. One day, during a practical criticism seminar, the great man broke off to share with them an admiring letter he had received from a nephew of Henry James. "The youths of the seminar looked on respectfully," writes Miller, "glad of a break from worrying whether Hardy's 'and the unseen waters' ejaculations awe me' was a good line."

After Cambridge, the briefest of encounters with the small screen. "A brisk-to-hysterical place, BBC Television then," he recalls. "Studio directors were compared to fighter pilots, and a trainee could be told by a producer: 'You're either a genius or you're not and I haven't got time to find out.'" Miller presents himself as first cousin to the *ITMA* character who used to say, "It's being so cheerful as keeps me going." His hero is the 17th-century Scottish poet, Drummond of Hawthornden, described with lugubrious satisfaction as being "up to his nose in the aboriginal calamitous worst of the human condition".

Dear Karl, do cheer up. You're only in it up to your chest, at the very most, leaving your arms free to complete at least two more volumes. When you feel low, reflect on your own story of the Lallans poet leaning wildly out of a Paris taxi to wave at the women. "Stop it at once," said his wife. "You're not in Edinburgh now."

Giving humanity the heave-ho

Tom Hutchinson

IN THE HEART OF THE VALLEY OF LOVE
By Cynthia Kadohata
Secker & Warburg, £8.99 pbk original

FOR THOSE who like their apocalypses raw and bleeding, this novel will be a shock. After all, you know where you are with cataclysms: much more unsettling to find that civilisation is just too tired for a convulsive last gasp. And even more disconcerting to realise that this luminously tranquil novel is saying there is affirmation amid desolation, that love, if not life, goes on. A corn-fed cliché? In this it puts out green shoots.

For this is love, set in the emaciated climate of a few years ahead, embodied in teenage Francie, an orphaned Japanese-American girl whose chronicle recalls the adolescent distancing of teller from tale of *The Catcher In The Rye*: watching herself as a character in life. She is adoringly nurtured by her Aunt Annie who, with her man, Rohn, runs a black-market scam: both of them roly-poly leftovers from a more generous generation which endured their New Age eccentricities.

But, then, Rohn is snatched by the police, and Francie moves on to a campus newspaper that is about to publish a homosexual scandal about one of the college principals. It is in this area of her life that Francie finds personal love and witnesses the weird refractions of passion through her friends — the woman-toughie always returning to the man who beats her up, the reporter convincing himself that a night with a prostitute is a grand affair. And there is the college executive about to be castrated in print.

Here the amoral majority is matched to humanity's exhaustion in what are episodes from a world at the end of its tether. Francie has black pearls — symptoms of a minor plague — seeping from her pores, while the empty, entangled highways are spaghetti junctions sauced with the blood of car-rammings and shoot-outs. Francie finds hope of a kind in necklaces that resemble rosaries or tattooing that passes for holy ritual.

God's consolation, though, has been exchanged for something else: "We used to love television commercials because they all seemed to be telling you that something could be achieved, that if you bought their special medicine to make you stop sneezing, you would be one step higher on the evolutionary trail . . ." Francie has faltered, like the others, on those steps: only her courage can help her.

The author's style is an unsentimental, semi-detached lyricism, in the manner of the old *New Yorker*. It has a metropolitan, centralised vision which never looks to the world outside but takes its symbolic cues from within. Rohn's disappearance is a swallowing-up that rates only a few words, yet it leaves a black hole hard to forget — as unforgettable as the book itself.

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A detailed Suffolk study throws an intriguing spotlight on the way reading is taught in its primary schools — and the attitude of teachers. John Bald reports

Between 1987 and 1990, children in Suffolk showed a decline in reading test scores at both six and eight. Particularly worrying was the increase in low scorers, and the fact that fewer children came in the top category.

The county's education department was so worried that in 1990 — shortly before the psychologist Martin Turner revealed more widespread falls in test scores — it decided on a survey of the teaching and learning of reading in its 280 primary schools.

The outcome, which has not previously been reported, is probably the most comprehensive picture of provision in a single local authority since Dr Joyce Morris's *Standards and Progress in Reading*, based on research in Kent in the late 1950s.

A questionnaire on current practice was sent to schools, and 95 per cent responded, an exceptional rate. As the respondents are not self-selected, this, within its geographical limits, is a uniquely reliable indicator of the state of professional opinion on the teaching of reading.

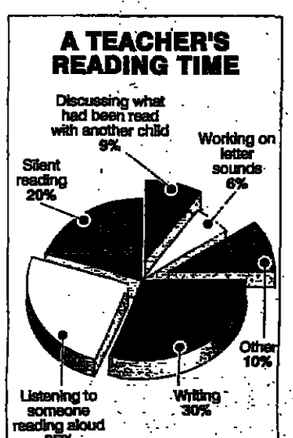
The 36 schools that were visited were selected to cover the entire spectrum of practice and to include those that were experiencing poor results as well as those that were improving standards against the trend. Again, the reports are detailed and carefully structured.

On the single most controversial aspect of the current dispute on reading — a word which the review team rightly prefers to "debate" — Suffolk and HMI are of one mind. Both see reading as too complex to be reduced to a single issue or method. Suffolk, in one of its occasional descents into officialese, describes the "real books versus reading schemes" question as "non-criterial", but notes a correlation between systematic phonic teaching and high standards.

Of the ten most successful schools, seven introduced planned programmes of phonic teaching in their reception classes, and the remaining three used reading schemes with a strong emphasis on phonic development. Only three of the lowest-scoring Suffolk schools had an established early phonics programme.

These schools' experience, however, shows that teaching phonics is in itself no guarantee of success. The issue of phonics is still widely misunderstood, with no distinction being drawn between some of the more traditional approaches, normally involving sounding words out one letter at a time, and hence unreliable in dealing with irregular words, and more recent, research-based developments, which take account of both the reality of the alphabetic system and the development of children's conscious awareness of patterns in sound.

Dr Usha Goswami, winner of this year's British Psychological Association Spearman Medal, has described traditional phonics as "one jump ahead of children's phonological development", and has demonstrated the value of the rhyming parts of words as key elements in helping children to see connections between patterns in sound and patterns in letters and hence to make analogies between words. This does not come into play where phonic work is limited, as it often was in Suffolk, to the sounds of the first letter in a given word. The authority has therefore circulated two booklets giving a detailed account of the research and of its application in the classroom.



How Suffolk schools teach their pupils to read



Teachers in primary schools are still divided on the best methods of teaching reading

Personal interviews with 35 teachers showed complex divisions of opinion on the issue, with 35 per cent strongly in favour of early phonics and 37 per cent seeing phonics as one strategy among several others, but one which did not require specific teaching. Seventeen per cent thought that most children did not need phonics, and 30 per cent associated the approach with writing rather than reading. These figures show a predictable discrepancy between professional opinion and current research, but they are a long way from the supposed professional unanimity claimed by opponents of the national curriculum review.

The teachers had little time for officialdom, local or national. Not one mentioned the value of published guidance on reading from the National Curriculum Council, from the local authority, or from anywhere else outside the school, although when prompted 68 per cent felt that such guidance was satisfactory.

They had a particularly poor view of initial teacher training, only 4 per cent of those interviewed citing it as an important influence and three-quarters making openly critical comments, often complaining of neglect and in some cases of lack of balance. This evidence from experienced teachers reflects that in a similar survey of 140 probationary teachers in neighbouring Essex carried out at the same time.

Of all schools, 52.5 per cent wanted the county reading test, the starting point for the investigation, withdrawn, with only a quarter in favour of its retention. However, the review team's work with individual children showed that those who do poorly on the test did so "mainly because they lack the strategies for reading unseen text with understanding", an important confirmation of the value of tests in monitoring genuine difficulties with reading. The test has been retained.

The report cautions against dogmatic attitudes and asserts the importance of balance between an emphasis on the ability to decode print "rapidly and accurately", and the deployment of a flexible range of strategies in order to comprehend what is read. It is also sharply — and controversially — critical of the emphasis on guessing in some theories of reading, and of the idea that it is acceptable for children to read words wrongly.

An inspector's calling card

HMI's replacement is provoking panic and paperwork throughout the land

BY THE end of last term anxiety was really beginning to bite. Tense faces, much frenzied scurrying about with pieces of paper and even more meetings than usual. In short: a major panic. Why? Early in the summer we had been informed that our school was to be subjected to a new-style government inspection in the spring term of 1994.

In future all schools will be inspected every four years by the Office for Standards in Education (Ofsted), the body which has replaced the 130-year-old Her Majesty's Inspectorate (HMI). Our good luck, or our misfortune, is to have been picked for the first year.

There is bound to be a guinea-pig quality about our inspection because the inspectors, even those who have inspected schools wearing other hats, will be relatively inexperienced in applying the precise modus operandi required by Ofsted. Of course a new system has to begin somewhere, but it might induce less numb panic to the 500 or so schools selected for first-year attention if each could act as an unpublished "dry run" for the novice inspectors. Not much would be lost. After all, the turn of those same schools will come round again — quite soon — in 1998.

In the heyday of HMI many teachers passed an entire career without once being subjected to a full school inspection. So it's hardly surprising that they feel threatened. For the most part it isn't that they've anything to hide. Their worries, like those of a hospital patient waiting for surgery, are largely based on fear of the unknown. Such worries, moreover, are not eased by the chilly instructions sent out to schools by Ofsted itself.

Our inspection is scheduled for "during the spring term", date as yet unspecified. We only know that "they" will collect the paperwork in November; and thereby hangs another tale. Almost unbelievably, schools are required to produce or prepare about *two hundred* written documents for perusal by the inspectors before the inspection.

You must have policies for extra-curricular provision, homework, rewards, discipline, liaison with other schools, attendance, staff development, sex education, equal opportunities, special needs . . . and so on and on ad infinitum.

Teachers all over the country are therefore solemnly spending hours in meetings or individually writing policies "for Ofsted", as if it were some paper-hungry monster. Surely the new inspectors realise that the mere existence of a written policy does not mean a lot? It's what we do that matters, not what we write down.

VIEWPOINT



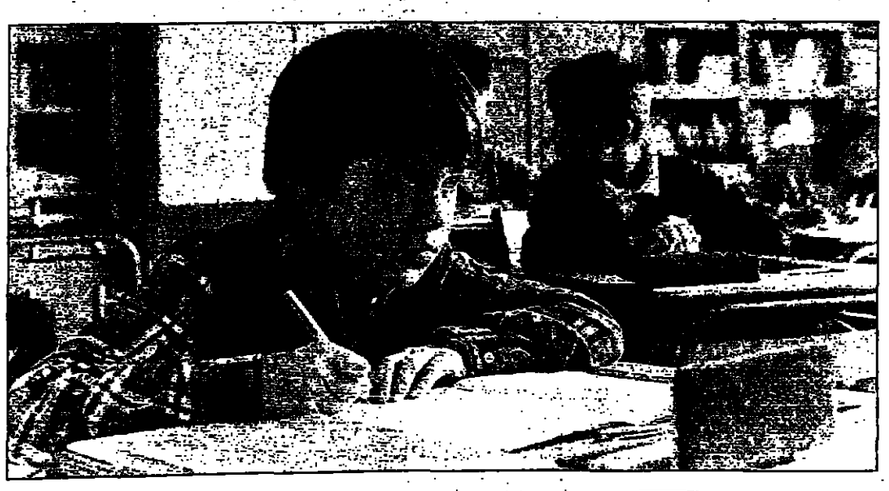
Susan Elkin

Then there are the curriculum documents. Standardisation — a curious obsession — is vital, we're told. Inspectors will want to see schemes of work. So, absurdly there are hundreds of heads of department frantically trying to produce water-tight documents which, first, account for every minute of teaching time, totally precluding any individual interest or digression and, second, are absolutely in line with the format of other departments' documents. How can you sensibly describe a maths course in the same terms as for a history syllabus and is there any educational point in trying?

I AM alarmed by the enormous amounts of time, energy and money which I see being diverted by schools into preparing for Ofsted. More than one "Baker day" is to be spent on it next term. Consultants are to be brought in — at vast cost to the school budget — to check the documentation, a classic case of the tail wagging the dog.

What price ordinary classroom interaction and the education of the children in such schools while all this is going on?

As the French fall out over the best way to teach a foreign language, a British school redefines the entente cordiale in the classroom



'The traditional two to three-week exchange is enough to put your toes in the water but no more, whereas a year out in France will do wonders'



Language lessons at a French primary school near Paris (left) and (right) two visitors to Hawtreys, Axel Laval, left, and Charles-Henry de Rudder

Tomorrow's Europeans

The British are not the only ones concerned at their shortcomings in foreign languages. The French education ministry is facing persistent demands from parents for better language teaching.

Despairing of traditional methods, which they have to supplement with costly and often fruitless private lessons, parents want ordinary schools to emulate the dozen or so international schools whose pupils are equally at home in one, two or even three languages. Stimulated by Europe's high youth unemployment rate, the demand has shot up over the past decade.

Three years ago, Lionel Jospin, a former education minister, launched introductory foreign language classes in primary schools on a wave of enthusiasm from parents and pupils. Most parents chose English, much to the ministry's dismay, as it is constantly trying to fight what a former education minister called the "hegemony" of English.

More than a third of children in their last year in primary school are now receiving at least some tuition, and parents are naturally keen for real language learning to begin immediately in secondary school. Many want their children to be truly bilingual and are convinced that the magic formula is "international education".

The best-known example is the Lycée International de Saint-Germain-en-Laye, near Versailles, which began in 1952 as a school for the children of Nato officers and now has French and foreign pupils studying together from nursery school right through to the final school-leaving exams. These can be either an ordinary French "baccalaureat" or the newer international version.

St Germain is a state school which has ten national sections, the latest for Japanese having opened this month. Throughout their schooling pupils attend their national section for six to eight hours a week, when they are taught, by native speakers, the language, literature and history of the country concerned.

> 'Parents in France feel they are being fobbed off

Despite the fact that only half of the Lycée's 2,500 pupils are French, they all follow normal French lessons together for much of the time. Jean-Pierre Maillard, the principal, says: "Although roughly half of our pupils don't speak French when they arrive, they are able to sit the French baccalaureat — some only three years later."

Standards are high and the workload is heavy. Candidates are carefully selected and may be invited to go elsewhere if they fall behind. Not surprisingly, the Lycée is among the top ten in the unofficial "bac" results published in the monthly magazine *Le Monde de l'Education*. Some pupils become fluent in three or even four languages and many go to universities abroad — the UK is a popular choice and the British section is proud of its steady stream going to Oxford and Cambridge.

At a conference on international education held at the Lycée last year, Anne-Marie Leroy, the director of the ministry's department for international affairs, told an audience of angry parents and teachers: "It is too élitist because it caters for no more than 8,000 pupils and this is incompatible with our mission to provide the same opportunity for all." At the same time, she recognised the benefits of international education to both pupils and the economy — French and foreign firms are desperately short of bilingual staff.

The ministry favours a less costly and less élitist version: the so-called European sections launched by M Jospin in 1991, which advocates of the "Lycée model" say amount to little more than reinforced language teaching. Third-year secondary pupils receive seven hours of language tuition a week, instead of the normal five. After two years, they are taught a subject in the foreign language.

The ministry aims to set up "European sections" in all secondary schools. After only two years they already have between 7,000 and 8,000 pupils (international education involves only 6,500 in secondary).

Such an innovation would probably be hailed as a revolution in Britain. But French parents who have set their hearts on the Lycée-Saint-Germain brand of "international education" feel they are being fobbed off with an inferior product.

Schools which have not waited for ministerial authorisation to set up "international sections" are reluctant for them to be classed as European ones instead. But the ministry insists that in order to qualify for what one official quaintly termed *le label* of international education, between a quarter and a half of their pupils must be foreign.

Christian Philippe, who heads the higher education ministry's cabinet, says: "It's not enough to have a handful of international schools. Every region should have one. Apart from the obvious benefit to the individual, they attract foreign researchers and managers to France and prepare our nationals to work abroad."

At present, however, François Bayrou, who became education minister in April, is more interested in fighting illiteracy than in furthering language learning of whatever variety.

MARY FOLLAIN

English lesson in close harmony

It is more than a question of keeping up the rolls, says Graham Fenner, the headmaster of a small prep-school which is about to welcome 12 French boarders for a year.

Mr Fenner believes that there is a strong educational argument for the long-term French exchange he is to introduce at Hawtreys, a 110-pupil boys' preparatory school in the Savernake Forest, Marlborough, Wiltshire.

"There are quite clear advantages for the French pupils in improving their English, but I believe that our pupils will benefit too," he says. "There will be a positive improvement in their French if a boy is able to turn for help to a French boy sitting next to him or while they are talking together in the dormitory."

About a dozen 12-year-olds from the Ecole St Martin, Pontoise, north east of Paris, will spend a year at Hawtreys, which has guaranteed to teach to the French curriculum, using French textbooks but with some of the lessons in English. They will also receive intensive coaching in English and will join the Hawtreys pupils in practical subjects, music, sport and after-school activities.

Mr Fenner, who joined the school last September, says that he has had many discussions with the teaching staff at St Martin to ensure that their pupils will not be disadvantaged when they return to France. He says: "English will take care of itself but we have had to make changes for the French pupils in maths, science and French. The syllabus is very demanding and it has been a bit tight — but we can do it."

The school prepares its pupils for schools such as Eton, Harrow and Marlborough. Founded by the Rev John Hawtrey, a former Eton housemaster, its former pupils include Stanley Baldwin, Lord Alexander of Tunis and the racing commentator Peter O'Sullevan.

The French pupils are accepted at Hawtreys after an examination of their school record and an interview. Above all, Mr Fenner says, they must want to come to England. The school offers a highly developed pastoral system to look after the French boys.

Mr Fenner says: "Each French pupil is given an English guardian of his own age. The English pupil's family agrees to invite the French boy home for holiday weekends two or three times a term and to support him while he is in England. The boys and their families are invited to the school before the start of the school year so that they can get to know each other."

The visitors are allocated different dormitories but share the same dormitory and houseparents as their English host. For the weekends spent at school, Hawtreys is arranging a full programme of visits to places of historical and cultural interest.

In return, two groups of up to ten boys from Hawtreys, where fees are £8,850 a year, will spend a term in January and in March at St Martin, a school modelled on the English public school and sometimes described as the Eton of France. While at St Martin, only half an hour from Paris, the English pupils will be able to visit historical and cultural sites.

Mr Fenner became convinced of the benefit of long-term exchanges after his 13-year-old son, James, spent a year at St Martin. A pupil of his father's previous school, Northbourne Park, Deal, in Kent, James was awarded a scholarship to Tonbridge school a year early. "We sat down to discuss how he should spend the year and decided that he should go to St Martin," Mr Fenner says. "It was the best thing we ever did.

"The traditional two to three-week foreign exchange is enough to put your toes in the water but no more, whereas a year out in France will do wonders for some. This is about educating the true European of tomorrow."

DAVID TYTLER

CORRECTION

St Andrews University should have topped last week's Education Page table of university graduates' job prospects, in which it was incorrectly placed 13th. Without the overseas graduates, who were included inadvertently, the proportion of St Andrews' 1992 graduates in work or further study at the turn of the year was 84.6 per cent.

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St John's College Oxford

Applications are invited from suitably qualified men and women for a College Stipendiary Lectureship in Economics. The appointment will be effective as soon as possible and will terminate on 30th September 1996. It requires six hours teaching a week: there is no restriction on research interests, and in appropriate circumstances this post could be held in conjunction with a half-time research officership at the Centre for African Economics in the Institute of Economics and Statistics.

The salary for the College Lecturership will be on a scale of £6,800 (at Age 26) - £7,898, together with certain benefits and allowances; and the salary for the half-time Research Officership will be on a scale of £6,800 - £13,401.

Applications, with details of career and publications, and the names of three referees, should be sent to the College Secretary, St. John's College, Oxford OX1 3JP, from whom further particulars may be obtained. The closing date for applications is 15th October.

FELLOWSHIPS

Mansfield College, Oxford
Fellowship in Law

Applications are invited for a Tutorial Fellowship, to be held in conjunction with a University appointment, commencing 1st October 1994. The salary will be on the joint university/college scale for CUF lecturers. The College is an equal opportunities employer.

Further details from the College Secretary, Mansfield College, Oxford, OX1 3TF, (Telephone Oxford (0865) 270982), to whom applications, together with names of three referees, must be sent in order to arrive by 12th November 1993. It is the candidate's responsibility to ask three referees to send references direct to the College Secretary, to be received by that date.

INDEPENDENT EDUCATION

SHREWSBURY SCHOOL
SIXTH FORM ENTRY 1994

Scholarships and a limited number of ordinary places are available for boys of high academic ability wishing to enter the Sixth Form in September 1994.

There are four Scholarships. Each is worth half fees and may be increased to full fees where necessary.

Admission is by examination and interview held on the weekend of Friday 5th and Saturday 6th November 1993. Full details may be obtained from:

The Headmaster, Shrewsbury School, The Schools, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. SY3 7BA
Telephone: (0743) 344537

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ENTRANCE SCHOLARSHIPS - 1994

Entrance Scholarships will be held in November 1993 *for girls wishing to enter the Sixth Form in September* 1994. Academic, Music and Art Awards are offered, plus two bursaries worth 40% of fees for daygirls entering the Sixth Form.

Closing date for Sixth Form entries: 7th October 1993.

Entrance scholarships will be held in January/February 1994 for girls wishing to enter the *1st, 2nd and 3rd forms in September 1994.* Academic and Music Awards are offered.

Closing date for Junior entries: 1st December 1993.

Girls can also gain entry via the Common Entrance Examination at 11, 12 and 13+ or by the College examination for entry to the Sixth Form.

ASSISTED PLACES

Assisted day places are offered each year to new girls currently attending State schools.

Application forms and further details from: The Registrar, The Cheltenham Ladies' College, Cheltenham, GL50 3EP.

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Two Scholarships of 50% fees are awarded each year to external candidates wishing to join the Oundle Sixth form. The examinations and interview take place on 6th and 7th November, giving applicants a chance to spend a weekend at the School

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Further details on Sixth Form Scholarships are available from:

The Academic Secretary, Oundle School, Oundle, Peterborough, PE8 4EN or telephone Oundle (0832) 274014.

General enquiries about admissions should be made to the Admissions Secretary at the above address or telephone Oundle (0832) 273536.

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- Sixth Form SCHOLARSHIPS
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RANTS/French: Interesting new role in Marketing Dept for experienced Bilingual Secretary with English shorthand. £12,500 + benefits. Multilingual Services Rec Cons 071 836 3794.

ITALIAN with Spanish or French for inv bank. Excl opp for sec c/l or 2nd jobber looking for career. No SH but sd typ/ wp skills. £22k pck. Language Matters Agy 071 930 1811.

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THE TIMES DEGREE VACANCIES SERVICE: SCIENCES

How the Vacancies Service works

Recruitment for science courses is slow with many places likely to remain unfilled despite the approach of the new academic year. Today's *Times* Degree Vacancies Service shows there are numerous opportunities for candidates, particularly at the new universities. Many institutions are resigned to seeing empty places when clearing finishes on Friday.

Admissions tutors at traditional universities report some movement since *The Times* last published science vacancies on Thursday. Keele has withdrawn all its courses. Demand for computing has been stronger than in other subjects as candidates seek a last-minute berth. Birmingham, Goldsmith's and Ulster have all withdrawn courses.

All the courses listed on this page still had vacancies yesterday. The codes following each university or college name are those appearing in the UCCA or PCAS handbook for 1993 entry. Where a figure appears in brackets, it gives the institution's estimate of the number of A-level points required for entry.

Points are calculated on the normal UCCA scale, using a maximum of three A-levels. An A grade is worth ten points, B eight, C six, D four and E two.

An A grade at AS-level counts as five points, B four, C three, D two and E one point. Where a university gives no points requirement, it is often willing to consider candidates from outside the conventional academic route, possibly with work experience.

● The *Times* listings are compiled from universities' own returns. Not all institutions are included because some provide information to the admissions bodies and official agencies only.

UCCA

AGRICULTURE
Bath: D241/D244 (8)
Cranfield (Silsoe): D9N1
Glasgow: D820 (16), D860 (16), L130 (16), D220 (16)
Leeds: D224 (16)
Newcastle: D255 (14), D242 (8)
Nottingham: D8J8 (14)
Reading: D200 (10), D220 (12), D230 (12), D240 (12), D253 (12), D255 (12).
Wales, Bangor: D200 (12)

ANATOMY
Glasgow: B140 (16).
London UC: B143 (20)
Wales, Cardiff: B141 (18)

APPLIED SCIENCE
Cranfield, RMCS: FG31 (12); FJ35 (12), GJ15 (12)

AQUACULTURE
Glasgow: C174 (16)
Hull: C174 (18)

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SCIENCE
Liverpool: V602 (12)

ASTRONOMY
Glasgow: FG51 (16), FF35 (16)
Leicester: G1F5 (14)
London, Queen Mary & West: F500 (8), F503 (12), FG51 (12)
London, UC: F500 (20), F502 (20), FF53 (20), FF5H (20)
Newcastle: F520 (10)
Wales, Cardiff: F3F5 (12)

ASTROPHYSICS
Leeds: F3F5 (10)
Leicester: F3F5 (20)
London, Queen Mary & West: F523 (12), F526 (8), GF15 (12)
London, UC: F526 (20), F527 (20)
Newcastle: Y121 (8), Y120 (12)
Manchester: F364 (18)
UMIST: G1F5 (18)
Wales, Cardiff: F526 (12), F523 (12)

BIOCHEMISTRY
Essex: C700 (10)
Glasgow: C700 (16), CF76 (16), C720 (16)
Kent: F1C1 (8), F1CC (8), C700 (8)
Leeds: *C7C6 (16), CC57 (16), C871 (16)*
Leicester: C700 (16), C140 (16), C400 (16), C620 (16), C200 (16)
Liverpool: C700 (12), C701 (12)
London, Imperial: C700 (20), C702 (20), C701 (20), C7N1 (18), FC17 (20), CF71 (20)
London, King's: C700 (16), CC79 (16), CC57 (16), BC27 (16), BC17 (16), C720 (16)
London, Queen Mary & West: CF71 (10)
London, Royal Holloway: C700 (14), C720
Newcastle: C700 (14), D850 (8)
Nottingham: C770 (14)
Reading: C700 (14), C750 (14)
UMIST: C700 (16), C7J8 (16), C7C6 (16), C7R2 (16), C722 (16)
Wales, Cardiff: C700 (16), C701 (16), C720 (16), C7C6 (16), BC17 (14), CF71 (12), C702 (4), C700 (10), C7N1 (10), C704 (12), CC47 (10), CC57 (10)

BIOLOGY
Buckingham: MC39 (12), C100 (8), C8C1 (10)
Edge Hill: C162
Glasgow: C304 (16), C140 (16)
Kent: F1C1 (8), F1CC (8)
Hull: C100 (18), C160 (18), C174 (18), C1E7 (18)
Leeds: C180 (14), C110 (16), CG11 (6), CC24 (16), CG14 (16), B150 (18)
Leicester: C100 (16), C140 (16), CF71 (24)
Liverpool: C130 (12), C100 (16), C110 (16), C200 (16), C300 (16), C306 (16), C160 (16)
London, Imperial: C110 (22), C100 (20)
London, King's: C101 (16), Y156 (16), CC16 (16), C650 (16), C140 (16), B950 (16), B150 (20), CF11 (16)
London, Queen Mary & West: CF11 (10), F1C1 (10),
London, Royal Holloway: C100 (14)
Newcastle: C180
Reading: C100 (14), C120 (14), C122 (14), C160 (14), C200 (14), C254 (14), D220 (12), D230 (12), D240 (12), D250 (12), B164 (16)
St Mary's Coll: FC81, CQ15, GC11, CF11, VC18, VC81, QC31, CQ18, CL13, CX12, E711
Salford: FC11 (10)
Ulster: C102 (12), C100 (14)

BIOPHYSICS
Leeds: C600 (14)
London, King's: C600 (16)

BIOTECHNOLOGY
Hull: C140 (18)
Leeds: J800 (16)
Leicester: CJ28 (16)
London, Imperial: J800 (20), J801 (20), J802 (20), FJ18 (20), JF81 (20)
London, King's: J800 (16)
Nottingham: D8J8 (14)
Strathclyde: J800 (18)
UMIST: C7J8 (16)

BOTANY
Glasgow: D820 (16), C200 (16)
Reading: C200 (14), CC23 (14)

CHEMISTRY
Bath: F100/F101 (14)
Bradford: F100 (6), F1B2 (8), F1N1 (8), F101 (6), F1NC (12)
Brunel: F112 (12), F110 (6), F1NL (12), F1N1 (6), F122 (12), F120 (6),
Dundee: F100 (12), F102 (10), F120 (12), F1F3 (12), FF13 (12), FG11 (12), FG14 (12), FL11 (12), FN14 (12)
Durham: F100
Essex: F100 (8), F101 (8), F1N1 (8), F1B9 (8), F160 (8)
Exeter: F100, F160, F101, F102
Glasgow: F100 (16), F102 (16), FF16 (16), F103 (16)
Hull: F1R1 (12), F184 (12), F166 (12), F130 (12), F100 (12)
Kent: F105 (4), F127 (8), F100 (8), F146 (8), F1C1 (8), F1CC (8), F1F9 (8), F129 (8), F1N1 (8)
Leeds: J800 (16), FF1C (18), FG15 (18), *FV15 (18), FN11 (18)*, FJ15 (18), FG11 (18), FF13 (18), F100 (14), F176 (10)
Leicester: F100 (18) CF71 (12), F101 (18), F1T9 (18), F103 (4)
Liverpool: F100 (12), F101 (12), FF12 (12), F160 (12), F1F7 (12), BF21 (12), F7F1 (12)
London, Imperial: F1NC (20)
London, King's: F146 (16), F152 (16), F180 (14), F1C7 (14), F1G5 (16), F1N1 (14), F1NC (16), F1ND (16), F1V5 (14), F100 (14), F105 (12), F115 (16), F130 (14), FV17 (20), FX11 (8)
London, Queen Mary & West: CF11 (10), CF71 (10), F100 (8), F1C1 (10), F1N1 (10), F334 (8), FF13 (8), FG11 (8), FR12 (10), FR1F (10)
London, UC: F112 (18), F100 (16), F1T2 (16), F1N1 (16), *F1F2 (18)*, FG11 (18), F126 (16)
Loughborough: F100 (14), F126 (14)
Manchester: FF16 (11), F100 (12), F101 (12), F1L4 (12), F170 (12), F1B3 (12), F102 (12)
Newcastle: F111 (14), F100 (14), F101 (14)
Reading: F100 (12), F141 (12), F1G5 (12), F1LJ (12), F1V6 (12), FD14 (12)
St Mary's Coll: FQ15, WFL1, CF11, FF81, FG11, VF81
Salford: F110 (10), F100 (10), F105 (10), F101 (14), F102 (18), F103 (14), F106 (4), F140 (12), FL11 (10), FG11 (10), FF13 (10), FC17 (10), FC11 (10)
UEA: F100 (10), F102 (22), F146 (14), F125 (10), FF19 (10), FG11 (10), F1N1 (10), F181 (10)
Wales, Cardiff: CF71 (12), FF13 (14)
Wales, Bangor: F100 (4)

COMBINED SCIENCE
Brunel: Y160 (10)
Glasgow: Y100 (16)
Leicester: Y158 (18)
London, Queen Mary & West: GG4L (12)
Strathclyde: Y100 (DD)

COMPUTER STUDIES
Glasgow: G500 (16), GL58 (16), FG65 (16), CG85, GG45 (16) GG15 (16)
Hull: G500 (18), GN51, GG15, G560, G530, GH56
Liverpool: GH56, H651
London, Royal Holloway: GG51 (16)

COMPUTING
Buckingham: C8G5 (10), G5N4 (6), G5LK (6), G5G1 (6), G5N1 (6), G5N2 (6), G5L1 (6)
City: H615 (16), G1G5
Cranfield (RMCS): GN51 (10)
Dundee: CG85 (14), FG15 (12), FG35 (12), G500 (12), GG15 (12), GG45 (12), GG59 (12), GHM6 (12), GL51 (12), GN53 (12), GN54 (12)
Keele: Kent: GG15 (12), H610 (8)
Leeds: FG15 (18), FG35 (18), G500 (18)
Leicester: G500 (12), G1G5 (14)
Liverpool: G500 (12), G501 (12), G506 (12), G520 (12)
London, Queen Mary & West: F3G5 (8), G500 (18), GG45 (16)
London, UC: G500 (22), G5C8 (22), *G5H6 (22)*
Manchester: G500 (18), G502 (18), G506 (18), G520 (18), GG15 (18), GN54 (22), G532 (18), G533 (18), G570 (18), G580 (20), G581 (18).
Salford: G500 (14), G506 (14),
Strathclyde: G500 (CCC), G5T9 (CCC), GN59 (CCC), GH56 (CCC), GG15 (CDD)
Ulster: G545 (12), G510 (14), G902 (12)
UMIST: G510 (16), G560 (16), GQ51 (14), GR52 (14), GR51 (14)
Wales, Cardiff: GG15 (12), GG45 (12), G500 (16), G532 (16)

ECOLOGY
Leicester: C900 (16)
London, Imperial: C900 (20)
Newcastle: D970 (8)

EDUCATION
Edge Hill: E2G1, E4G1, E2EX, E4EX
St Mary's Coll: E747, E757, E758, E750, E752, E7W2
London, Goldsmith's: E7W2

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES
Buckingham: MC39 (12)
City: G1F3
Cranfield, Silsoe: N802
Kent: F1F9 (8), F129 (8)
Leeds: F900 (16), F904 (12), F902 (14)
Liverpool: F900 (12)
London, Queen Mary & West: F140 (10)
Newcastle: D206 (8)
Reading: C160 (14), C254 (14), F900
St Mary's Coll: F900 (4)
Salford: F910 (14), F140 (12)
Strathclyde: F900 (CCC)
Ulster: F900 (16), F901 (16)
UMIST: F3F9 (12)

FOOD MARKETING SCIENCE
Cranfield (Silsoe): D450
Reading: D430 (12), D450 (12)

FOOD SCIENCE
Dundee: D490 (8)
Nottingham: C560 (14), C770 (14), D400 (14)
Reading: D400 (12), D421 (12), D430 (12), FD14 (12), D450 (12)
Strathclyde: DC45 (18)

GENETICS
Leeds: CC24 (16), C400 (14)
Leicester: C400 (16)
Liverpool: C500 (12), C5J8 (12), C400 (12)
Newcastle: C400 (16)

GEOCHEMISTRY
Leicester: F670 (12)

GEOGRAPHY
Edge Hill: L800
Glasgow: GL58 (16), F800 (16), FF68 (16), F862 (16)
Leeds: F640 (14)
Reading: FF98 (20)
St Mary's Coll: FC81, FF81, GF18, FQ88, FL83

GEOLOGY
Glasgow: FF16 (16), FF68 (16), F600 (16), F3F6 (16)
Leicester: F600 (12), F610 (12), F670 (12)
Liverpool: F600 (12), F606 (12), F6F8 (12)
London, UC: F642 (15), F630 (15), F600 (15)
Manchester: FF16 (11), F600 (14), F670 (14), F630 (14)
Newcastle: D960 (8)
Wales, Cardiff: F600 (10), F620 (12)

GEOPHYSICS
Leicester: F640 (12)
Liverpool: F640 (12), F606 (12)
London, UC: F650 (15), F660 (15)
Newcastle: F650 (10)

HISTORY OF SCIENCE
Leeds: FV15 (18), FV35 (18)

HORTICULTURE
Nottingham: D250 (14)
Reading: D250 (12)
Strathclyde: D250 (CD), D2N9 (CD)

HUMAN SCIENCE
Liverpool: V6B1 (12)

IMMUNOLOGY
Glasgow: F600 (16)
London, King's: CC79 (16), C920 (16)
Strathclyde: CC59 (18)

MARINE STUDIES
Wales, Bangor: F140 (4)

MATERIALS SCIENCE
Leeds: J500 (14), FJ35 (18)
Liverpool: J200 (12), F200 (12), BF92 (12)
London, Imperial: JF52 (14), J525 (14), *JF5F (18)*

MATHEMATICS
Bath: G100 (20)
Bradford: G100 (10), GG14 (10), G1V7 (10), G1N1 (10)
City: G100, G1G5, G1G4, G1F3
Essex: G100 (10), GG14 (10), GG15 (10), G4L1 (10)
Exeter: G100, G107, G130, GG04
Glasgow: FG51 (16), G100 (16), GG15 (16), NG11 (16), GV1R (16), GG14 (16), FG41 (16)
Hull: G100 (12), G120 (12), G1R1 (12), G1R2 (12), G1R4 (12), GG15
Kent: GNC4 (14), GLC1 (12), G100 (12), G1N1 (12), GG15 (12), GV17
Leicester: G102 (14), G100 (14), G1F5 (14), G1G5 (14)
Leeds: FG11 (18)
Liverpool: G100 (12), G1XC (12), GG14 (12), GG15 (12), G400 (12), G1N1 (12), G150 (12), G151 (12), FG21 (12), F6G1 (12), G1F3 (12), FG31 (12), FG35 (12), F326 (12)
London, Goldsmiths': G140 (4), G141 (4), GG1M (4), G1G4 (4), G1GM (4), G1GK (4), G1G5 (4), GG14 (4), GG41 (4), GG15 (4)
London, Imperial: G100 (22), G125 (22), G1F3 (22), G101 (22), G1N1 (22), G102 (22), G1G4
London, King's: FF35 (16), FG11 (16), FG31 (16), G100 (18), GG15 (16), GN11 (16), G1V5 (18), GG1N (16), GX11 (8)
London, Queen Mary & West: FG11 (8), FG31 (12), FG51 (12), G110 (12), G120 (12), G130 (8), G150 (8), G1N1 (12), GG41 (12), J920 (12), J922 (12)
London, UC: F1G1 (18)
Loughborough: FG31 (16)
Manchester: G100 (18), GV17 (18), G101 (18), G103 (24)
Newcastle: G150 (14), G151 (12), G100 (16), GG14 (14)
Reading: G100 (18), G152 (14), GG15 (18), GL11 (18)
St Mary's Coll: GW14, GC11, FG11, CF18, E750, GV18, GV11, GQ18, GL13, GX12, E711, E722, E753, E725
Salford: CG91 (12), G100 (14) *GG51, FG11 (10)*
Strathclyde: G100 (CDD), G150 (CDD), GG15 (CDD), G1L1 (CDD), GH13 (CDD), G1T9 (CDD)
UMIST: G100 (18), G434 (18), GG15 (18), GRC1 (18), GRC2 (18), GN11 (18), G1R4 (18), G1F5 (18), GF13 (18)
Ulster: G902 (12)
Wales, Cardiff: FG31 (14), FG3C (14), G100 (12), G110 (10), G111 (10), GG15 (12)
Wales, Bangor: G100 (6)
York: G1F3, GF13, G100, G101

MEDICAL SCIENCE
Bradford: Y156 (14)
Glasgow: F103 (16), B100 (16), C920 (16), C720 (16), C340 (16)
Liverpool: C130 (12), C140 (12), CC1R (12), C141 (12), CC17 (12)
Loughborough: F126 (14)
Manchester: J2B9 (12)
Ulster: B940 (14)

MICROBIOLOGY
Glasgow: C500 (16)
Kent: C500 (8)
Leeds: CC57 (16)
Leicester: C500 (12)
Liverpool: C500 (12), C5J8 (12), C400 (12)
London, Imperial: C500 (20)
London, King's: C500 (16) CC57 (16)
Manchester: J2B9 (12)
Nottingham: C560 (14)
Reading: C500 (14)
Strathclyde: CC59 (CCC), C510 (CCC), DC45 (18)

MOLECULAR BIOLOGY
Hull: C140 (18)
Leeds: C7C6 (16), C250 (14)
Leicester: C620 (16)
Liverpool: C620 (12), C627 (12)
London, King's: C620 (16)
Newcastle: C620 (14)

NEUROSCIENCE
Glasgow: B172 (16)
London UC: B172 (18)
Wales, Cardiff: B172 (18), B173 (18)

NURSING
London, King's: B700 (18)

NUTRITION
London, King's: B400 (16)

PATHOLOGY
Glasgow: B166 (16)

PHARMACOLOGY
Glasgow: B200 (16)
Leeds: B200 (14), BB12 (16)
London, King's: BC27 (16), B200 (16), B220 (16), BB12 (16)
London School of Pharm: B220 (18)
Loughborough: F126 (14)

PHYSICAL SCIENCES
London, UC: Y160 (16)

PHYSICS
Birmingham: F300 (12), F320 (12), F340 (12), F3F5 (12)
Brunel: *F302 (6)*, F300 (6), F352 (6), F355 (6), F3G5 (6), F3Gm (6), F3NC (6), F3N1 (6)
Dundee: F1F3 (12), F300 (6), FF13 (12), FG31 (12), FG35 (12), FH36 (6), FN31 (12), FV37 (12), HF63 (6)
Essex: F300 (10), F301 (10), F303 (10), F310 (10), F312 (10), F313 (10), F366 (10), F367 (10), F320 (10), F322 (10), F323 (10), F3N1 (8)
Exeter: F300, F301, F370, F348, F320, F321
Glasgow: F334 (16), F300 (16), FF35 (16), FHH6 (16), F3F6 (16), FGH1 (16), F350 (16)
Hull: F310 (14), F314 (14), F366 (12), F370 (14), F354 (12)
Kent: F305 (4), F300 (8), F3F5 (8), F365 (8), F361 (8)
Leeds: FF13 (18), FG35 (18), FJ35 *(18), FG31 (18), F300 (10), F3F5* (10), F3H5 (10), F3H6 (10), FV35 (18)
Liverpool: G1F3 (12), F300 (12), F306 (12), F301 (12), F340 (12), FF23 (12), F352 (12), F384 (12), FG31 (12), FG35 (12), F326 (12), F334 (12)
London, King's: F300 (16), F305 (16), F350 (16), F370 (16), F3F5 (16), F3G5 (16), F3N1 (16), F3R1 (16), F3V5 (16), FF13 (16), FH36 (16), FX31 (8)
London, Queen Mary & West: F300 (8), F303 (12), F323 (12), F320 (8), F3H6 (8), F3HP (12), F334 (8), F374 (8), F3G5 (8), FF23 (8), FG31 (12), F3N1 (8), F1N1 (10)
London, Royal Holloway: F300 (14)
London, UC: FF53 (20), FF5H (20), F303 (20), F310 (20), F313 (20), F3T2 (20), F370 (20), F365 (20), F366 (20), F654 (20)
Loughborough: F300 (16), FG31 (16), F380 (16)
Manchester: F300 (18), F301 (18), F303 (18), F325 (20), F361 (18), F364 (18), FF36 (18), FG31 (18)
Newcastle: F301 (10), F320, F370 (10), F320
Reading: F300 (12), F304 (4), F305 (8), F340 (12)
Salford: F314/F343, F303/F300 (8), F376/F375 (8), F305 (8), F354/F355 (8), F367/F368 (8), F3TK/F3T4 (8), F3RC/F3R (8), F3R2/F3RF (8), F3R8/F3RV (8), FF13 (10)
Strathclyde: F300 (CD), F310 (CD), F368 (CD)
UMIST: F300 (12), F3F9 (12), F356 (12), F368 (12), F376 (12), F3R1 (12), F3R2 (12), GF13 (18)
Wales, Cardiff: F300 (12), F3F5 (12), F370 (12), F320 (12), F348 (12), F303 (12), FF13 (14), FG31 (14), FG3C (14)
York: F376, F377, F3F5, G1F3, GF13, F303, F321, F375, F300, F320

PHYSIOLOGY
Glasgow: B100 (16), BC18 (16)
Leicester: D946 (16)
London, King's: BC17 (16), B100 (16), BB12 (16)
Reading: C881 (16)
Salford: CG91 (12)
Wales, Cardiff: BC17 (14).

PLANT SCIENCE
Leicester: *C200 (16)*
London, Imperial: C200 (20)
Newcastle: C260 (8), D240 (8)
Nottingham: D240 (14), D820 (14)
Reading: C254 (14)

PODIATRY
La Sainte Union Coll: B985 (12)
London, UC: B985 (18)

PSYCHOLOGY
Buckingham: C8N1 (12), C8G5 (10), C8C1 (10)
Glasgow: CG85 (16), BC18 (16)
Reading: C881 (16)
Ulster: C800 (14)

RADIOGRAPHY
Cranfield, RMCS: B810 (10), B820 (10)
London, King's: B800 (16)

SOIL SCIENCE
Reading: D962 (12), D920 (14), FF98 (20)

SPORT SCIENCE
St Mary's Coll: GX12, E753

STATISTICS
Bradford: GG14 (10)
City: G1G4
Exeter: GGD4, G434, GGK5, L143, L141, L144
Glasgow: GG45 (16), GG14 (16), G400 (16)
Hull: G430 (12)
Leeds: CG14 (16)
London, Imperial: G1G4 (22)
London, UC: G400 (20), Y624 (20), Y625 (20), G4T2 (20)
London, Queen Mary & West: G400 (12), GL41 (18), GL41 (18)
Newcastle: GG14 (14), G400 (14)
Reading: G400 (14)
Strathclyde: G400 (CDD)
Ulster: G902 (12)
Wales, Cardiff: GG45 (12), G420 (12), G421 (12)

TEXTILES
Leeds: J446 (12), WJ24 (16), NJ14 (14), J460 (12)

ZOOLOGY
Glasgow: C300 (16)
Leeds: C300 (14)
Leicester: C300 (20)
London, Imperial: C300 (20)
Newcastle: *D830 (8), D220 (8)*
Reading: C300 (14), C310 (14), CC23 (14)
Wales, Cardiff: C300 (18), C301 (12)

PCAS

AGRICULTURE/AGRICULTURAL TECHNOLOGY
Harper Adams: D200, D270, D231, D271, DN25, D25D, D955, F932, H3N1, F999
SAC: D2N1
Humberside: D952
Plymouth: N 970, D200, D201, D202

ANALYTICAL SCIENCE
Greenwich: Y120

AQUACULTURE
Plymouth: F870
SAC: C172

ASTRONOMY
Central Lancashire: F999
Hertfordshire: F500

ASTROPHYSICS
Central Lancashire: F520
Hertfordshire: F399

BIOCHEMISTRY
Central Lancashire: C700
Coventry: C700 (4)
E London: C700
Greenwich: C700
Kingston: C700
N London: C700, C999
Westminster: CC75
Wolverhampton: C700

BIOLOGY
Central Lancashire: C110, F199
Coventry: CL11 (10), CR11 (12), CR12 (12), CL18 (12), CG14 (6)
De Montfort: C110 (4)
Dundee Inst: CF11 (4)
E London: C300, C198
Glamorgan: CF11, CF19, CF13, CJ11, FC61, C100
Glasgow Caledonian: C120
Greenwich: C110, C160
Hertfordshire: C110
Huddersfield: C621
Kingston: CF18, CR11, CR12, CF11, CF13, C199
Leeds Metro: B150 (16)
Luton: Y400
NE Wales Inst: C110 (2)
N London: C120
Nene: Y4C1
Oxford Brookes: C140
Plymouth: C100
Portsmouth: C100, C621
South Bank: C160, C1N1, C1N8, C168
Staffordshire: CF11, CF13, CF16, CF19, CG14, CG15, CL18, CH16
Sunderland: C110, C160
Univ of W England: H648
Wolverhampton: C120

BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE
Cardiff Inst: C980
Central Lancashire: Y150
De Montfort: CAN1 (4)
E London: C620, C199
Kingston: C999
Portsmouth: C999
Sheffield Hallam: C999, F103
Sunderland: C999
Univ of W England: C999
Wolverhampton: B999, B920

BIOPHYSICAL SCIENCE
E London: C600, C620

BIOSCIENCE
Kingston: C110
Robert Gordon: CF91
Sheffield, Hallam: CN91, CF99

BIOTECHNOLOGY
De Montfort: C999 (4)
Dundee Inst: C999 (4)
E London: C999, J820, CN11
Glamorgan: J800
Lancashire: C199
Luton: Y400
South Bank: J800, J808, J8N1, J8N8
Westminster: J800

CERAMIC SCIENCE
Staffordshire: FJ13, FJ33, FJ36, J320, JG34, JG35

CHEMISTRY
Central Lancashire: F110, F199, F100
Coventry: FF12 (8), FF13 (8), F110 (8), CF11 (8), FG15 (10), FR11 *(10), FL18 (10), FR12 (10), FG11* (10), FL18 (10), FR12 (10), FG11 (10), FG14 (10), F1N1 (8), F1C7 (8), J440 (8), F1J4 (8)
De Montfort: F110 (4), F1N1
Dundee Inst: CF11 (4), FG11 (4), F1N1 (4), FF31 (4), 1N1F (2)
Glamorgan: FF19, FF16, FF13, CF11, F100
Glasgow, Caledonian: F1G5
Greenwich: F1N1, F110, F670, F199, FN11
Hertfordshire: F110, F118, F140, F148
Huddersfield: F100, F1C7, F1H8, F1N1, F1B3
Kingston: FF81, FR11, FR12, F100, F110, F199, F1N1, FF31
Leeds Metro: F1N1
NE Wales Inst: F100 (2)
N London: F100, Y100, F199, F1N1
Northumbria: F110
Plymouth: F140, F180, F110
Portsmouth: F110
Robert Gordon: F110, CF91
Salford Coll: F100 (4), F1F1 (4)
Sheffield Hallam: F103, F110, F162, FF19
South Bank: H800, H808
Staffordshire: F100, F110, FF13, FF16, FF19, FG14, FG15, CF11, FM16, FJ13, FL18
Sunderland: FB13
Teesside: F100, F160
Univ of W England: F110
Wolverhampton: F110

CLINICAL SCIENCE
Bournemouth: B999

COGNITIVE SCIENCE
Westminster: C801

COMBINED STUDIES (SCIENCES)
Bath Coll: Y100
Bournemouth: Y110
Brighton: Y100
De Montfort: Y400
Dundee Inst: Y400 (4)
Glasgow, Caledonian: Y100, Y111, Y110
Gwent: Y400 (4)
Hertfordshire: Y100
Kingston: Y108
Lancashire: Y400
London, Guildhall: Y400
Luton: Y400
Middlesex: Y600
NE Wales Inst: F910 (10), Y120 (4)
N London: Y100
Nottingham Trent: Y108
Oxford Brookes: Y100
Plymouth: Y401
Portsmouth: Y108
Univ of C England: Y100
Univ of W England: NY11, Y110, H648

COMPUTER SCIENCE/STUDIES
Brighton: G501 (8), G534 (8)
Buckinghamshire: G501
Central Lancashire: GT58
Cheltenham & Gloucester: G5TY, GG1N
Coventry: GF53 (8), G500, G5T2, GI51
De Montfort: G500 (8), G562 (8), G560 (8)
Derby: G501
Dundee Inst: GG51 (4), G500 (4), FG35 (4)
Glamorgan: G501, G561, GG15
Glasgow, Caledonian: G500, G561
Greenwich: G4G5, L7G5, H620, G501, G500, G561, G530, GM66, GN51
Kingston: FG85, FG15, G500, GG15
Lancashire: G500
London, Guildhall: G599
Luton: G500, G506
NE Wales Inst: G5T2 (4), G500, (4), G561 (4)
N London: G500, GG5C, Y100
Nene: G560, G599
Northumbria: G501, G5N1, G599
Nottingham, Trent: G508, GH58
Oxford Brookes: G501
Plymouth: GP52
Portsmouth: GG15, GG45, FG85, FG65, FG35, G500
Robert Gordon: G500, G501, G1G5
South Bank: F961, F968, GH57, GJ59, GL57
Southampton Inst: G501, G502, G562, G568
Staffordshire: FG35, CG15, G501, G502, G508, G5R1, G5RF, GRM1, FG15, GF56, G5R2, G5R4, G5R5, G5RC, G5RD, GH56, GRM2, GRM3, JG35
Sunderland: GL51
Teesside: G500, N125
Univ of W England: G538, G534, G501, G450, G900
Westminster: H611
Wolverhampton: G599

COMPUTING IN BUSINESS
Buckinghamshire: G569 (22), G562 (16)
Central Lancashire: GN51
Cheltenham & Gloucester: G524, G523, G525, G5F6, G5F8, G5GD, G5L8, G5N1, G5N3, G5NC, G5T9, GN5C, GNNC
Coventry: G523, G560
Dundee Inst: G561 (4)
Kingston: G562
N London: Y100
Robert Gordon: NG15
South Bank: G5T2
Sunderland: G523, G5R1, G5R2, N1N4
Univ of W England: G535, G5T9

CONSERVATION
E London: C901

DECISION SCIENCES
Hertfordshire: GN42

EARTH SCIENCE
Cheltenham & Gloucester: F9NC, FGX1, FXF8, FXV1
Greenwich: F925
Kingston: F920
London Inst: W160
Middlesex: F920
Plymouth: F920

ECOLOGY
Buckinghamshire: J501, (12)
E London: C910
Middlesex: F920

EDUCATION
Greenwich: EW54
Northumbria: EG71, E7F3, ER71, ER72, EJ79
Wolverhampton: E700, E701

ENERGY STUDIES
Coventry: H599
De Montfort: Y400
Southampton Inst: J950, J958

ENVIRONMENTAL BIOLOGY
Greenwich: C160
N London: Y100
South Bank: C160, C168, C1N1, C1N8

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
Cardiff Inst: F910
Cheltenham & Gloucester: D955, *D9F9, F9D9, F9LW*
Farnborough: F910
Hertfordshire: D900, D908
Humberside: D952
London, Guildhall: M148
Luton: F910
Middlesex: FN9X, FNY1
Sheffield Hallam: CF99
Univ of W England: F932

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE/STUDIES
Coventry: F900 (12)
De Montfort: F910
Dundee Inst: F900 (4), L730 (4)
E London: F900, F911
Farnborough: F910
Glamorgan: CF19, FF19, *FF69*, FF39, FJ61, F900
Greenwich: K340, F911, F199
Hertfordshire: F140
Humberside: F900
Kingston. F900, F970
Luton: Y400
Middlesex: F961, F900
NE Wales Inst: F900 (4)
N London: F900, FF19
Nene: F910
Plymouth: F140, F699
Portsmouth: F920
Robert Gordon: F900
Sheffield Hallam: FF39, FF19
South Bank: FFX9, FG95
Staffordshire: CF19, FF19, LF19
Univ of W England: F900
Westminster: F900, FN91, F910
Wolverhampton: F900

FOOD SCIENCE
Bath Coll: D450 (6)
Bournemouth: D400
Cardiff Inst: C400
Huddersfield: DB44
Humberside: D408, D401, D450, D400, D40V, D421, D409
N London: N700, B4C1
Oxford Brookes: BD44
Plymouth: D202, D400, D402
Queen Margaret Coll: D420
Robert Gordon: D4N1
South Bank: D400, D408, D498, D499, D4N1
Teesside: D499

FORENSIC
Teesside: F999

FURNITURE SCIENCE
London, Guildhall: J570, J499

GEOGRAPHY
Cheltenham & Gloucester: FL88, *LV81, FL9V, FL18, G5F8, F1F8*, F8FX, F8L8
Coventry: LF83 (8)
Greenwich: F800, L800
E London: K399
Kingston: FF81 (8), FG81 (12), FG85 (12), FL38 (8), FL81 (12), FR81 (12), FR82 (10), FG85 (12), FF86 (12), L800
N London: L800
London, Guildhall: F899, L800, M148, L800
Luton: Y400
Middlesex: F800
Portsmouth: F800, FG85, FG81, FG84, F8R1, F8R2, FF38, FF68
South Bank: F8F9
Staffordshire: CL18, FL18, FL38, FL61, CF16
W London: L8N1, L8G5, FL68, LV61, LW83

GEOLOGY
Cheltenham & Gloucester: G5F6, F1F8, F6F9, F9FX, F6G1
Glamorgan: FF16, FF69, FC61, FF36, FJ61
Greenwich: F612, F600, F670, F925
Hertfordshire: F699
Kingston: FL61, F600, FF86, FR61, FF63
Luton: Y400
Oxford Brookes: F600
Plymouth: F699, F600
Portsmouth: F610, F600, FG65, FF68, FG61, FF36, FG64, G6R1, F6R2
Staffordshire: FL61, FH66, FF63, FF16, F600, F336, GF56
Sunderland: FR62
W London: FL68, F6N1, F6G5, FL68, FV61, FW63

HEALTH SCIENCE/STUDIES
Central England: Y100
De Montfort: B991 (12)
Derby: B995
E London: B991, B990, B9N1, C920
Gwent Inst: B999
Luton: Y400
Middlesex: B900, BG94
South Bank: B9L3, B9L7, B988, BN91
Univ of W England: B900

HORSE STUDIES
Coventry: CN91
De Montfort: D234
Humberside: D234

HORTICULTURE
Central Lancashire: D252
Greenwich: D250
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SAC: D250, D2N9

HUMAN ECOLOGY
Bath: N750 (6)

LIFE SCIENCES
E London: C980
Westminster: C980

MANAGEMENT SCIENCE
Plymouth: GN41

MARITIME/NAUTICAL STUDIES
Plymouth: F940, N955, N960, F941, F900, J699
Southampton Inst: F910, F918, F900, F908, N960, N968, J699, J698

MATERIALS
Buckinghamshire: J501
Coventry: F200 (8), FF12 (8), FG21 (10), FF23 (8)

MATHEMATICS
Central Lancashire: G100
Cheltenham & Gloucester: G1F9, G1G5, G1GN, G1N3, GG1N
Coventry: FG21 (10), GF13 (8), G100, GF13, GG14, FG11
De Montfort: G100, G150
Derby: G900
Dundee Inst: FG11 (4), GG51 (4), FG31 (4), G1G5
Glamorgan: GG15, G100, G1T2, YG31
Glasgow, Caledonian: G1T9, G1TX
Greenwich: G900, G5G1
Kingston: FG81, GL11, GR11, G100, GG15, GL11
London Guildhall: Y400
Middlesex: G150
N London: G116, G150, Y100, G100
Northumbria: G100
Nottingham Trent: G1G5
Oxford Brookes: G150
Plymouth: G150, G100
Portsmouth: G150, G100, G1N1, G1G5, GG14, G1R1, G1R2, FG61, GG15, FG81, G1F3
Robert Gordon: G1G5
South Bank: G108
Teesside: G100
Univ of W England: G900

MATHEMATICS FOR BUSINESS
Brighton: G100 (6)
Glasgow, Caledonian: G1TX, G199
Greenwich: G9N1
Portsmouth: G1N1
South Bank: GN14
Sunderland: NG41
Teesside: G110
Wolverhampton: G199

MATHEMATICS IN COMPUTING
Coventry: GG15, GG1H
Dundee Inst: G1G5 (4)
Nottingham, Trent: G1GM

MATHEMATICS, STATISTICS AND COMPUTING
Coventry: G900
Derby: G900
E London: G900
Greenwich: G900
Portsmouth: G1G5

MEDICAL LABORATORY SCIENCE
Coventry: B899 (8)

MICROBIOLOGY
E London: C500
N London: C500
Westminster: CC75

MIDWIFERY
Luton: Y400
W Yorkshire Coll: B710 (14)

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De Montfort: B700
Dundee Inst: B700 (4)
Northumbria: B700
South Bank: B701, BL75
University Coll: B700

NUTRITION/DIETETICS
Huddersfield: D844
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N London: B4C1, XB24, N700
Oxford Brookes: BD44
Queen Margaret Coll: B401, B400
Robert Gordon: B401, B400
South Bank: D498, D499

OCCUPATIONAL HYGIENE
Bournemouth: B999
Greenwich: B999
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South Bank: B999, B971

OCEAN SCIENCE
Plymouth: F940, F870

OPTOMETRY
Glasgow, Caledonian: B502

ORTHOTICS AND PROSTHETICS
Salford Coll: B984 (12)

PHARMACOLOGY
E London: B200, C291, C920
Greenwich: B300
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PHYSICS
Central Lancashire: F31A, F310
Coventry: FF23 (8), F310 (6), FF13 (8), GF53 (8), RF13 (8), RF23 (8), LF83 (8), GF13 (8), FG34 (8), F3N1 (8)
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Nottingham Trent: F310
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Portsmouth: F310, F300, FF38, G1F3, F3R2, FF36
Robert Gordon: F310
Sheffield Hallam: J990, FF39
Staffordshire: FH63, F310, FF13, FF63, FG34, FG35, FL38, CF13

PHYSIOLOGY
E London: B100
Greenwich: BL17
Salford Coll: B984
Westminster: B100

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Coventry: B960

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SAC: D220

PODIATRY
Central England: B983
Queen Margaret Coll: B983
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Westminster: B983

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Dundee Inst: L730 (4)
Glasgow, Caledonian: L700
Greenwich: L730, BL17, L7G4, LLR3
London, Guildhall: G599
Luton: Y400
South Bank: GL57
Wolverhampton: E800

RADIOGRAPHY
Hertfordshire: B985, B999
Kingston: B985, B999
Sheffield, Hallam: B989
Teesside: B895

SOCIAL POLICY AND MANAGEMENT
London, Guildhall: L499, M148

SPORTS SCIENCE/STUDIES
Greenwich: X206
N London: XC21, XB24

STATISTICS
Central Lancashire: G411
Coventry: FG34 (8), GN42 (4), LG84 (6), CG14 (6), LG14 (6), GN41 (14), GG14
Greenwich: F670, G4N1, G4G5, G4L5, L7G4
N London: G411
Plymouth: GN41, G411
Portsmouth: GG14, FG84, GG45, FG64
Univ of W England: G4G5, G4T9, G450, G900

TECHNOLOGY
Derby: J900
E London: J292, J990
Southampton Inst: HN71, J999

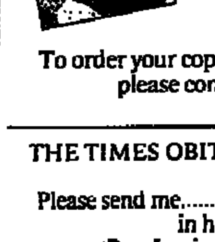
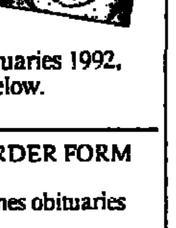
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BANKS, DISCOUNT, HP

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
5,395.40	Abbey Nat	401	-2	11.5	3.6	15.6
1,697.70	Allied Irish	258	-7		4.0	14.4
2,262.20	Aus New Z	175	+2		4.9	...
10,921.10	Bankamerica	30⅞	-2¾	...	...	...
1,149.90	Bk of Ireland	245	-7		5.0	19.7
27.70	Bk Leumi UK	350		17.0	6.1	
1,579.20	Bank Scotland	162	-7	4.5	3.5	12.3
5,195.80	Barclays	505	-3	...	...	...
0.61	Benchmark	2½				
6.09	Carlisle	20				
135.70	Cater Allen	563	-3	27.0	6.0	
156.10	Cattle	131	-3		3.7	15.6
7,619.50	Chase Manh	23⅜	-25	...		
4,544.90	Citicorp	23⅝	-50			
162.10	Close Bros	412	-11		2.9	18.4
3,638.60	Commerzbk	£122	-275		3.2	
14,946.60	Deutsche Bk	£313	+525		1.9	
150.10	First Nat Fin	92	+2	...	0.7	
42,679.60	Fuji Bank	1474	-14		0.4	
191.20	Gerrard Nat	490	-4	21.5	5.5	13.0
5,567.80	HSBC	679	-39	19.0	3.5	16.1
11,311.70	HSBC Hk	665	-28	19.0	3.6	15.7
6?6.30	Hambros	364	+6	14.0	4.8	16.8
21.30	Joseph (L)	406	-2	16.0	5.1	
22.60	King Shaxson	143	-2	9.0	7.9	
622.90	Kleinwort Ben	473	-15	16.0	4.2	16.3
7,088.20	Lloyds	549		18.4	4.2	15.7
39.90	Lon Scot Bk	100		3.0	3.8	19.8
6,225.80	Nat Aust Bk	477	+12		4.0	17.6
4,122.90	Nat West	492	+9	17.5	4.4	29.4
536.30	Provident	402	-16	11.4	3.5	17.4
20.00	Rea Bros	51	+1	0.5	1.2	54.2
2,3?0.10	Rvl Bk Scot	398	-7	4.8	3.7	
1,335.60	Schroders	1339	+4	...	1.0	26.1
2,221.30	Stand Chart	937	-23	20.0	2.7	
3,051.20	TSB	201	-4	6.4	4.0	
31.50	Union Disc	367				
1,684.50	Warburg SG	730	-20		3.0	19.7
117.40	-do- 6% 'A'	276	-4		2.7	
4,331.40	Wells Fargo	7616¼	+10⅞		1.3	
2,995.00	Westpac	171	+2		4.2	
25.10	Wintrust	38?		9.3	4.1	25.3

BREWERIES

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
5,136.50	Allied-Lyons	57?	-11		4.5	15.6
4,062.20	Bass	466	-27	18.9	5.0	10.2
334.70	Boddington	277	+2	7.3	3.3	16.0
257.80	Bulmer (HP)	453	-5		2.8	19.8
72.90	Burtonwood Brw	163		4.7	3.7	13.6
23.90	Eldridge P 'A'▲	129			3.2	33.9
1,749.20	Fosters Brewing	55	+3		4.7	∞
86.30	Fuller Sm 'A'▲	422	+4	7.4	2.2	19.3
4,934.60	Grand Met	427	+2	12.3	3.6	14.1
316.50	Greenalls Grp	375	-10	11.7	3.9	12.4
337.10	Greene King	563	-6		2.7	15.9
9,737.20	Guinness	465	-13		3.2	16.0
65.50	Hardy Hanson	262		7.9	3.8	14.6
3.05	Heavitree	120		3.0	3.2	28.6
421.60	Highland Dist	337	-2	6.0	2.2	22.4
8?0.?0	Holt J	2988	-13	41.0	1.7	19.5
4.49	Hoskins Brew	76	-13	...	...	56.2
366.50	Invergordon Dist	280	-11		3.0	16.5
170.10	Macallan-Glen	140	-6	0.9	0.8	32.7
52.40	Macdn Martn 'A'	385			2.9	18.4
139.00	Mansfield	216	+4		2.2	15.5
253.70	Marston Thmp	230			2.4	16.9
60.30	Matthew Clark	468	+2		4.5	13.7
54.90	Minyden W	288	-5	7.0	3.0	22.8
114.10	Morland	538		8.4	2.0	21.4
3.03	Paramount▲	10			2.1	17.?
26.30	Regent Inns	179	+4		3.1	17.9
2,356.90	SA Breweries	862	+12		3.0	15.1
2,016.60	Scot & New	479	-3		4.4	14.9
22.90	Taunton Cider	213	+1	6.0	3.5	17.4
340.00	Vaux Group	250	-6	9.3	4.7	17.2
101.60	Wetherspoon JD	325	+3	...	1.8	26.3
2,464.30	Whitbread 'A'	544	-5		4.1	14.7
251.70	-do- 'B'	1413	-213		1.6	35.5
518.30	Wolvrhmptn D	462	-3	11.4	3.0	13.0
13.90	Young 'A'	478		14.5	3.8	19.5

BUILDING, ROADS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
46.50	Abbey	120†	...	...	1.0	45.0
13.00	Albrighton▲	15†				
23.90	Allen▲	130	+1		4.8	29.5
210.10	Amec	104		3.0		19.0
2.81	Anglia Sec	8½				
66.20	Ashtead▲	303	+1	4.5	1.9	48.7
386.30	Attwoods	137	+10	5.0	4.6	19.8
1,287.50	BPB Ind	259	+14		3.6	44.5
34.90	Baggeridge Brk	87		3.1	4.5	29.2
3.03	Bailey (Ben) Cnn	29		0.5	2.4	
19.70	Barcom	10½		1.2	1.5	19.2
246.20	Bardon	44½	-3	2.0	5.7	21.5
297.90	Barratt Devs	165	+1	2.0	1.5	18.4
218.10	Bellway	447	-4		3.4	25.0
18.00	Bellwinch	41	-2			
124.80	Berkeley Gp	423	-2		1.8	26.5
16.20	Bett Bros	109			0.6	44
14.10	Blockleys	55	-1	1.0	2.5	60.8
1,914.10	Blue Circle	277	-4		5.1	
71.20	Boot (Henry)	274		5.9	2.7	13.3
25.00	Breedon PLC	68	-4	4.6	6.5	21.5
50.60	Br Dredging	117		5.2	5.7	25.4
14.60	Brit Fittings	79	-13	1.5	2.4	
40.50	Bryant	146	-2	4.8	4.1	31.2
34.50	CALA	98	+8	2.5	3.0	∞
1,007.10	CRH	289†	-2		2.9	20.4
2.40	Cakebread Rby	40	-12			
7.60	Costain	35	-5			
109.90	Countryside	140	-2		3.7	37.0
66.90	Crest Nicholson	90	+11	0.0		
19.10	Cussins	107	+1		1.2	
1.43	Dunton▲	3				
4.75	Edmond Hldgs	15½		0.5		
53.80	Epwin	273†	-1	6.9	3.1	23.1
25.50	Erith	54	-1	0.3	0.8	
43.10	Eve Group▲	473	+5		2.6	17.1
6.47	Explaura▲	4½				
9.00	Freeman Gp▲	130			4.8	20.7
41.70	Galliford	47		4.2		18.0
1.25	Gibbs & Dandy	72†	+7		1.7	
92.40	Gleeson (MJ)	915		12.7	1.7	14.8
263.50	Hewden-Stuart	139			2.9	31.6
3.97	Hewetson	46	+6		3.4	34.0
251.20	Heywd Wlm	345	+20	12.5	4.6	
47.50	Higgs & Hill	105	-2	2.2	2.9	
15.70	How Gp	35			4.9	
5.27	Howard Hldgs	21		0.5	3.0	
190.20	Ibstock Johnsen	76		1.0	1.6	
12.90	Jarvis	19				
141.10	Laing (J)	305	-7	9.0	3.7	12.2
31.20	-do- 6½% Cv Pf	127	+1		6.3	
6.35	Ln Clydeside▲	92	+2	1.5	0.1	34.0
14.10	Lovell (YJ)	17				
12.90	Manders	332	-2	9.0	3.4	20.2
43.70	Marley	154†	-1	4.2	3.4	45.2
12?.30	Marshalls	106			4.7	73.0
42.20	Maunders (J)	179	-1	4.9	3.5	16.4
120.50	McAlpine (A)	213†		6.5	3.8	36.9
26.70	McCarthy & S	38		0.5		
491.00	Meyer Intl	395	-19		3.2	39.6
129.00	Mowlem (J)	119	-8	4.0	4.2	
22.50	NSM	131	+1			
9.01	Needler▲	48			3.7	23.3
176.20	Newman Tnks	146	-3½			19.2
278.60	Persimmon	284		8.6	3.8	28.7
2.02	Phoenix Timber	14				
15.90	Pochins	1525		29.0	2.4	9.3
103.20	Prowting	161	+2	3.4	2.6	
1.45	Quiltpoint▲	2				
1,564.10	RMC Gp	798	-7		3.2	29.7
163.40	Raine Ind	87	-4	6.0	8.6	14.5
2.03	Ramus▲	18	-5			
2,681.60	Redland	531	-12	25.0	5.9	30.9
10.60	Roskel	71	-9	4.3	7.7	10.3
747.10	Rugby Group	269	-7	6.4	3.0	20.4
7.83	Swift-Brea▲	50	+1		0.6	
26.20	Sharpe & Fisher	127	+5		4.0	21.8
147.40	Sheffield Insul	226	-11		3.0	55.0
17.10	Sherill Hldgs▲	163	+1		1.5	24.2
2.74	Shorco▲	80†			8.1	18.2
22.70	Smart (J)	225	-5	9.5	4.7	10.2
11.80	Starmin	2¾			3.6	
1,096.20	Tarmac	148	-11	5.5	4.6	
38.30	Tay Homes	175		5.8	4.2	11.2
459.60	Taylor Woodrw	110	-10	1.0	1.1	
204.50	Tilbury Dougls	605		33.0	0.8	19.7
3.76	Torex Hire▲	37			1.4	
240.50	Trans Perkins	236	-9	8.0	4.2	41.6
13.00	Try Group	30	-3	1.0	4.2	8.4
2.84	Tudor▲	26			1.2	
38.20	Vibroplant	83†	-1	2.5	3.8	29.8
25.20	Ward Hldgs	49				
0.93	Waterhouse	37				
68.40	Watts Blake	425			7.5	18.3
2.42	Wecol▲	23				
107.10	Westbury	161	-3	5.0	3.9	25.1
3.92	West Scaffold▲	7½				
1.43	Wiggins	6				
357.00	Wilson Bowdn	460	+12	8.7	2.4	31.4
360.00	Wilson (C)	190	+2	7.9	2.6	32.7
630.90	Wimpey G	175	-9		3.8	
4.22	YRM	32	-4	0.5	2.0	

BUSINESS SERVICES

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
902.50	ADT	650	+75			
9.76	Adam & Harvey	228		12.0	6.6	4.2
6.65	Air London▲	75			5.8	9.3
3.31	African Lakes	47		2.0	5.3	
168.60	Auto Sec	148	-2		4.5	26.5
1,153.70	BET Ord	129½	-1½		3.3	56
24.10	BNB Res	100	-1	4.9	6.1	
81.80	BPP	311		8.0	3.2	17.2
36.50	Barbour Index	230		8.0	4.5	15.0
19.60	Boustead	23	-1	0.7		
56.40	Brit Data Mgt	232	-2	1.7	2.6	∞
3.98	Broadcastle▲	25†			1.3	19.9
7.83	Brooks Service	65				
57.60	CRT Gp	104	-4		3.3	15.9
40.50	Capita Group	191			1.4	29.8
34.00	Caskei Plc	42			2.4	16.3
19.50	Chiltern Capital	21				
11.30	Christie	49	+2			
962.90	Chubb Sec	345	-8		1.7	21.3
5.97	Comaca	93			2.0	23.2
4.51	Corp Services	32	+6			
11.70	Coutts Cnslg	49	-1			
16.80	Dart	110		3.3	3.8	14.6
235.20	Davis Service	231	-13		4.4	17.2
5.10	EW Fact▲	95		4.3	5.7	10.9
33.20	Gardiner	31†		0.6		21.5
991.60	Hays	246	-4	4.6	2.3	24.2
157.80	Hogg Robinsn	228	-13		3.6	16.6
15.80	Holmes Protectn	36	+1			22
8,739.70	Hutch Whamp	194	-14		2.4	16.5
516.20	ISS B DKr	1997½	+37½		5.3	26
2,777.20	Inchcape	530	-35		3.3	17.1
167.10	Johnson Clean	848	+15	25.7	3.8	18.5
92.20	Lep	10	-½			
29.60	Mtle Gp	285	+1	3.5	1.5	22.2
734.40	Manpower	987	-30			
37.10	Michael Page	62		1.8	3.7	26.1
7.90	Pentos▲	167			7.5	6.3
1.25	Prime People▲	2½				
47.30	Proudfoot Alex	76	-4	12.8	20.3	4.1
41.40	RCO	387†	+2		4.5	13.3
6.32	REA	98		4.0	5.1	
53.20	Reed Executive	104	-1			
25.40	Reliance Sec▲	113			5.0	24.5
2,041.10	Rentokil	237	-8	2.3	1.4	25.7
14.10	Rolfe & Nolan	250	-15		3.6	14.1
1,049.40	Salvesen (C)	364	-9		2.7	20.0
5.28	Scott Pickford▲	38	-1		2.6	12.1
12.90	Select Appt▲	6				
131.40	Serco Gp	1143†	+10	14.0	1.5	31.6
9.25	Shered Cmpu▲	152	-19		5.8	34
58.00	Sketchley	100	+1		3.8	22.9
81.80	Warner Howrd	345	-5	6.3	2.4	18.0
14.20	Welpac	32				
35.60	Wills Gp	29½	-1	0.4	2.0	∞

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
627.90	Allied Colloids	239	...	...	2.2	31.0
665.70	Amersham	817	-13		2.1	28.3
20.70	Anglo Utd	2½				
5,884.20	BASF DM	£102⅝	+20⅝		3.1	
367.40	BTP	274	-10		4.2	18.0
7,987.60	Bayer DM50	£121¼	+20⅝		4.3	
77.20	Blagden	166	-3	9.5		17.9
79.00	Brent Chems	117	-1		8.0	10.6
133.90	Br Bio-Tech	375	-15			
7.44	Caird Gp	15	-½		12.6	36.1
40.90	Canning (W)	144		7.2	6.3	16.5
2,090.40	Courtaulds	520	-3		3.4	13.8
433.90	Croda	331	-2		3.0	18.8
14.70	Doeflex	13½	-1	4.6	4.2	10.4
179.20	Ellis & Everard	217	-1		4.1	20.7
10.20	Euro Colour	34		0.8	2.9	20.8
97.40	Halstead (J)	327			2.3	16.4
322.50	Hickson	156	-2		5.5	17.0
6,431.40	Hoechst	£108¾	+37¼		3.2	
188.00	Holliday Chem	220†	+1		2.1	30.3
5,133.50	ICI	712	-45		4.8	
1,254.20	Laporte	667	+32	19.5	3.8	17.9
139.50	Leigh	213	-7		4.6	20.6
16.60	MTM	64	-2			
3,543.00	Norsk Hydro	1725	+6¼		1.7	24.5
112.50	Paterson Zoch	461		11.4	3.1	19.9
86.40	-do- 'A'	419		11.4	3.4	18.1
113.60	Plysu	237	+1		3.7	15.5
40.80	Porvair	265	+4	3.6	1.7	28.2
34.30	Suncliffe Speak	61				
117.30	Wardle Storeys	475	-5	16.0	4.2	19.1
36.50	Wolstnhlme R	493		17.0	4.2	16.9
170.50	Yorks Chem	374	-4		2.6	20.0
236.60	Yule Catto	278		5.6	2.7	17.0
6,945.80	Zeneca	726	+7		4.7	42.8

DRAPERY, STORES

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
37.90	Alexon	66	-1			5.7
54.90	Amber Day	73	-1	3.1	5.3	30.0
997.90	Argos Plc	336	-14		2.6	28.?
21.10	Ashley Group	15	-2			
256.00	Ashley (Laura)	109	-5	0.1	0.1	
252.20	Asprey	316	+1	5.1	2.0	21.9
40.10	Austin Reed	131	-1		2.4	
70.10	Beattie (J) 'A'	151	-2		5.0	15.1
40.60	Bentalls	97	-2	1.9	2.5	
235.30	Betterware	231	-4		1.1	27.6
13.00	Blacks Leis	41		2.2	6.6	
340.30	Body Shop	185	-3		1.1	23.9
86.50	Brown & Jacksn	13½	-½		0.7	6.7
286.20	Brown (N)	392	-3		2.2	23.0
1,003.40	Burton	71½	-4½		3.5	
25.60	Cantors	154	+6	4.0	3.3	∞
37.30	Church	545†		12.5	4.5	30.7
26.20	Clinton Cards	155	-4	4.2	3.4	18.7
1,574.70	Coats Viyella	250	+1½		3.5	15.3
20.90	Colourvision▲	103		5.6	0.8	18.5
170.30	Courts Furnish	695†		5.5	1.0	8.7
2.16	Crown Eyes▲	135			6.5	9.2
1,975.70	Dairy Farm Intl	119	-5		3.0	17.6
106.80	Dewhirst (I)	95	+1	1.0	1.5	27.2
1,013.90	Dixons Grp	258	+24		3.0	
634.20	Dunhill	373	-13	8.1	2.7	14.5
8.02	ERA Gp	14				
6.36	Elys (Wimbledn)	530		16.0	3.9	18.2
15.90	Essex Furn	165	+2		2.1	28.0
175.70	Etam	269	-3	6.9	3.2	24.7
462.50	Fine Art Dev	581	+4	12.7	2.7	19.0
2.56	Fired Earth Tiles	45				
17.10	Forminster	535	+5	14.0	3.2	10.1
23.00	French Conn▲	145	-35			
22.00	Gent SR	61	-10	2.1	4.4	∞
14.90	Goldsmiths Gp	66	+5	0.3	0.6	
26.80	GUS	3800			1.5	29.6
5,098.70	-do- 'A'	2110	-27		2.6	16.4
4.64	Hampden Grp▲	31	-2		4.0	15.4
66.00	Harnstone	65	+1		5.6	
31.00	Helene Plc	25½		2.0	9.9	12.1
3.00	Heritage▲	68	-1			
5.68	Honeysuckle▲	70			1.8	9.9
11.90	Jacques Ver	125	+4		3.0	9.6
4,369.10	Kingfisher	658	+6		2.2	21.4
23.60	Leslie Wise Gp	68		4.0	7.4	14.0
96.30	Liberty	580		7.2	1.6	68.1
320.80	Lloyds Chem	272	-12	5.5	2.5	10.7
860.50	MFI	148†	+1½		3.2	31.1
10,546.10	Marks Spencer	381	-11		2.7	20.9
313.60	Menzies (John)	564			2.4	15.9
38.30	Moss Bros	339		5.5	3.0	26.9
754.60	Next	204½	-1	2.5	1.5	21.4
9.61	Oliver (G)	38	-2			
159.10	Oriflame Intl	298	+19		4.0	14.6
60.40	Pentos	42	-6	1.5	4.5	8.7
80.60	QS Hldgs	205		5.1	3.2	14.6
22.00	Rhino Grp▲	41	-1½			
179.00	Sherwood Gp	161			2.0	14.5
1,719.10	Sears	114	-2		5.8	
85.00	Signet Group	29	-3½			
1,199.40	Smith WH 'A'	440†	-15		4.0	14.6
3.64	Specialeyes▲	17	+3			
917.30	Storehouse	223	-6		2.8	28.8
106.10	T & S Stores	166	-1	5.9	4.4	12.4
80.50	Tie Rack	130	-2	1.8	0.8	25.5
115.90	Time Products	220	-2	7.5	4.3	19.0
9.46	Usher (Frank)▲	121			5.2	9.6
16.70	Vival	34		1.0	3.7	10.5
2.54	Wensum▲	34			6.7	
581.90	Wickes	102	+8		0.2	46.3
5.45	Wld of Leather▲	67	-2			
38.00	Wyevale▲	189			2.7	24.6
5.78	Xtra-vision▲	3½				

ELECTRICALS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
324.50	ACT Group	176	-3		3.6	17.2
34.70	Acal▲	340			3.3	16.7
68.40	Acorn Comp▲	103				52.2
50.40	Admiral	467†	-3	5.4	1.4	19.8
78.70	Alba	170			3.6	20.8
12.30	Alphameric	45	-3			
247.00	Amstrad	42½	+4	0.4		
15.60	App Holo▲	75	+2			
24.10	Arlen	40	+4			
238.60	Aster	77½	+2		0.4	12.1
24.00	Beales Hunter	244	+1		4.8	15.1
3.98	Bennett & Fountn	3½				
1,446.90	BICC	412	-13	19.2	5.0	
119.50	Blick	480		9.2	2.4	18.7
269.80	Borland▲	930	-190			
586.10	Bowthorpe	355	-9	6.3	2.3	23.1
26,123.10	BT	421	+1½		4.6	19.9
5,131.40	BT P/P	177	+6		4.5	30.6
3.12	Bulgin (AF) 'A'	12	+1	0.1	1.0	
39.40	Burnfield	115	-7	5.7	6.3	17.9
9,071.40	Cable Wireless	833			2.2	21.8
56.60	Chloride	23½	-1			
47.40	CML Micro▲	271	-2		2.2	19.7
13.90	Compter People	100	+3	0.6	0.8	
302.00	Cray Elect	141	-2		1.3	14.5
47.80	Critchley	414	-9		1.8	∞
760.70	Delta	514	-39		3.4	31.0
15.60	Denmans El▲	359			2.1	15.3
120.30	Domino	470	-1	7.2	1.9	16.1
85.80	Dowding Mills	58½	-1½	2.5	5.5	
70.70	Druck▲	1105		10.0	1.1	25.6
932.70	Electrocomps	445	-15		2.2	18.1
48.70	El Data Pro	560		5.1	1.1	15.4
31.80	Electron House	131	+3	2.6	2.5	28.4
23.30	Emess	22	-2½	0.1	0.6	
265.50	Eurotherm	594	-7	8.0	1.7	27.0
649.50	FKI	146	-2		2.6	21.4
603.00	Farnell Elect	450	-9		1.7	23.8
7.44	Feedback▲	88	-2		2.1	11.5
91.20	Ferranti	9½	-2½			
38.20	First Tech	257†	-1	1.0	0.5	∞
21.00	Forward Gp▲	260			1.6	23.5
6.80	Forward Tech	20				
9,251.30	GEC	339	-1	10.3	3.8	17.0
117.70	Graseby	186†	-6		7.3	39.1
11.50	Graystone	12	-1½			
1.35	HitSare▲	36			1.7	11.7
7.18	INSTEM▲	150	-2		2.6	10.7
66.80	Jones Stroud	378			2.9	15.2
4.00	Kembrey	14	-1	0.1	1.4	
122.20	Kenwood App	333	-6½		2.9	18.7
27.50	Kewill Sys▲	229	+12			
17.20	Kode	185†	-4	5.5	3.7	21.9
7.25	Laser-Scan▲	45	+10			
48.50	LBMS▲	270	-15		0.3	38.1
15.40	Lec Refrig	255†		9.0	4.4	
242.70	Life Sciences	143†	-5	3.5	3.1	15.5
155.60	Logica	253	-1	4.0	2.0	∞
4.50	LPA Ind▲	55			8.0	15.5
126.00	MF Data Mngmt	228	+5	4.3	2.4	21.8
148.20	Macro 4	655	+3	17.7	3.4	∞
109.50	Memex Sw▲	672	+8		2.0	19.8
240.80	Micro Focus	1750	-123			16.1
60.60	Microgen	169		7.2	5.4	11.5
20.60	Microvitec▲	31½	+½			
194.40	Misys	501	+1		1.7	18.3
373.80	Mitel	473	+78			
13.60	MMT Comp▲	128			3.4	16.3
9.15	Molynx	48½	+13½	1.3		
42.90	MTL Inst▲	244	-1		1.8	18.4
17.30	Multitone Elect	115	+3	3.5	3.8	∞
20.20	Murray Enter	212	-8	1.8	1.1	
6,480.40	NYNEX	3137⅞	+131⅛			
34.70	Neotronics	135		2.6	2.4	17.4
2.83	Newmark (L)	61				
15.80	Norbain▲	218	+3		0.9	16.7
10.10	Northamber	57†	-1	0.6	1.3	
17.20	Oceonics	12½	-1			
133.80	Oxford Inst	277	+2	4.5	2.0	19.1
15.30	P-E Intern'l	70	-2			
39.40	P & P	71	+½	1.4	2.5	37.7
81.60	Peek	71	-5	3.4	6.1	18.3
13.30	Pegasus▲	206	+5		3.9	52.4
12.20	Philips Fn 4%	9600			6.1	
3,994.80	-do- Lmp nv	1250	+12½			
87.30	Phonelink▲	246	-2			
36.60	Pilco	575	-5		1.8	25.8
19.20	-do- 'A' Voting	555	-5		1.9	24.9
3.02	Plasmec▲	65				5.4
29.60	Pressac	116	-3	2.4	2.6	23.4
26.60	Psion▲	121†	+3		2.6	32.1
645.60	Racal Elect	231	+2	4.2	2.3	13.7
12.20	Radamec	66	+3		2.8	14.1
9.27	Radius▲	34	-1	2.7		11.7
5.04	Real Time▲	72	-2		5.2	14.8
5.98	Riva▲	23				39.2
90.30	Sage Gp	440	-50	9.0	2.6	14.1
31.00	Sanderson Elec	348		9.0	3.2	14.9
30.30	Scantronic	80		3.1	4.9	20.2
64.10	Scholes Grp	169	-9	5.0	3.8	∞
313.00	Sema Gp	344	-30	2.8	1.0	27.3
13.10	Silvermines	40				
4.70	Soundtracks▲	47			5.9	15.9
3,090.20	TDK	2350	-50		1.4	26.2
1.17	TDS Circuits▲	13				
161.10	Telemetrix	178	-2	0.8	0.6	29.3
4,074.60	THORN EMI	970	-1		4.1	19.8
14.20	Thorpe FW	110	-1	2.5	2.8	11.3
6.29	Total Systems▲	61	-3	3.0	6.1	10.8
80.30	Tunstall	302	-6	6.0	1.5	20.1
196.00	Unitech	287	-5		2.7	68.0
14.00	Verity	7				
35.90	Vistec▲	29½	-2		1.6	16.9
4,974.70	Vodafone	494½	+1½		1.8	22.4
122.50	Volex	464	-8	17.8	4.8	19.0
3.46	Western Selectn	23				
41.20	Wholesale Ftgs	290†		11.7	5.0	30.8

ELECTRICITY

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1,167.20	East Midlands	535	+5		4.6	10.0
1,470.40	Eastern Elect	544	-1		4.4	10.9
1,426.70	Hydro-Elect	372½	+1		3.8	13.5
1,210.50	London Elect	555	+2		4.4	12.3
708.00	Manweb	596	+4		4.4	8.6
1,198.30	Midlands Elec	572	-3		4.4	10.2
4,899.00	National Powr	380½	-3		3.5	11.3
742.50	Northern Elec	603	-13		4.4	8.7
482.30	Nthn Ireland	173	+3		4.3	9.8
1,013.70	Norweb	587	-4	20.0	4.3	9.1
3,226.00	PowerGen	412	-1½		3.2	10.8
2,991.10	Scottish Power	367	+11½		3.8	13.6
778.40	Seeboard	611	+11		4.1	9.9
618.70	Sth Wales	609	+7		4.6	10.1
689.40	Sth Western	560	+2		4.5	8.9
1,497.90	Southern Elec	555	+2		4.4	10.2
1,194.00	Yorkshire Elec	576	+2		4.4	10.9

FINANCE, LAND

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
33.60	Aitken Hume	55½	-½	1.0	2.3	11.5
22.20	BWD▲	119	-2		3.4	18.6
28.10	Baltic Plc	93			1.3	
450.70	Caledonia	543	+3		3.5	20.2
38.10	Camellia	1525	+71½	...	2.4	5.7
66.90	Candover	300		10.2	4.3	21.0
49.40	Flextech▲	144	-1		0.4	
259.40	Govett	317	-12		4.5	9.9
50.50	Ivory Sime	174	-10		4.2	16.4
2.44	LIT	4½				
0.60	Lightship	12				
233.00	Lon Forfaitng▲	223	-7	8.4	4.6	16.7
12.60	Manakin	62		5.0	10.1	∞
9.56	Nat Home Loan	9½				
18.20	Newmarket	51	-1			
64.60	Rathbone Brs	326†	-9	6.0	2.3	19.9
65.50	Rutland Tst	25½			3.9	15.1
34.20	S & U	330	+2	10.0	3.9	11.9
193.90	Singer & Fried	80	-½		4.6	
262.90	Sotheby's	775†	-1		4.1	
397.70	SJP Capital	146	-1	3.0	2.6	60.2

FINANCIAL TRUSTS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
10,647.50	Amer Express	2212⅛	+53½			
217.90	Henderson Ad	1018	-41		5.2	23.5
398.90	Invesco	163	-15		2.2	
2,144.50	Jardine Strat	227	-2		3.4	10.5
216.90	MAI	221½	-½	6.0	3.4	16.1
1,241.20	MAM	660	-26	15.0	2.8	16.5
708.20	M & G	943	-21		2.8	25.1
158.30	Smith New Ct	314	-1		2.4	4.7
41.70	Trio Hldgs	75	-3		5.0	

FOODS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
2,249.50	AB Food	501	-3	14.0	3.5	11.5
1,790.10	ASDA Group	61½	-4	1.6	3.2	14.8
90.40	Acatos & Hutch	274		6.5	3.0	15.8
435.50	Albert Fisher	72	-1	3.7	6.5	12.0
3,385.40	Argyll	302	-15		4.5	11.1
27.90	Assoc Fisheries	150	-15		6.3	3.3
19.00	Banks (S C)	225†		9.0	5.0	10.0
63.20	Barr (AG)	335		6.5	2.4	16.9
12.00	Bensons Crsp▲	66			5.4	14.8
128.10	Bertsford Intl	129				
875.50	Booker	412	-16		6.7	35.1
27.10	Borthwick	47			3.2	58.4
253.00	Brake Bros	499	-3	6.2	1.6	20.8
76.40	Budgen	47	-1		2.7	14.3
1,833.60	Cadbury-Schw	463†	-1		3.6	16.2
8.10	Carrs Milling	119		3.9	4.1	23.8
25.80	Cranswick	191	-2		5.2	14.3
3.92	Cullens	15	-1½	0.5	4.2	41.1
22.50	Dalepak	194	-4	6.0	3.9	15.3
1,114.40	Dalgety	489	-2		5.4	13.5
4.16	Daniels S	50			0.6	
314.50	Devro	233	+4		3.0	22.2
28.10	Everest	112	-3	3.7	4.2	∞
83.30	Farepak	369	+8	5.7	1.9	22.7
2.19	Farringford	8½				
75.80	Finlay (James)	76			7.0	34.6
274.30	Fyffes	99			1.5	17.8
266.40	Geest	371	-1	8.1	2.7	16.7
18.10	Global▲	15	-½		4.2	23.4
17.80	Grand Central	45	+1	1.2	3.5	∞
417.20	Hazlewood Fds	180	-3		4.4	10.1
1,135.50	Hillsdown	165	-2	8.8	6.8	12.8
594.30	Iceland Group	216½	-7½		1.9	13.6
49.80	JLI Group	120	-3		6.8	13.3
1,087.70	Kwik Save	704	-19	16.0	2.8	13.5
99.30	Low (Wm)	186	-2	8.4	5.6	9.0
96.80	Matthews (B)	79	+6	2.2	3.7	50.4
15.80	Merchant Retail	17½		1.1	7.9	35.8
920.50	Morrison (W)	129	-5		0.8	16.8
85.80	Nichols (JN)	543		13.6	3.1	15.7
1,504.40	Nthn Foods	263	-19		4.0	13.1
5.77	Nrthmbrn Fn▲	12				
250.00	Nurdin Peack	197	-7		3.9	10.8
118.70	Park Foods	227	-10		3.3	17.5
114.70	Perkins Food	90½	-1½		2.4	10.5
54.50	PizzaExpress	103	+1		0.6	59.2
8.26	Regina Hlth▲	6	+½			
8,032.50	Sainsbury J	450	-32		2.8	15.8
3.34	Sentry Farm▲	78			2.4	14.0
34.70	Sims Food	119			8.0	22.5
1,216.30	Tate & Lyle	350½	-11½	12.0	4.2	11.2
4,176.90	Tesco	213	-6		4.2	9.9
103.80	Thorntons	163	-2	3.6	2.8	15.2
15.70	Treats▲	165	-2		2.7	18.5
930.50	Unigate	399	-6		5.0	13.1
1,839.20	Utd Biscuits	351	-15		5.5	21.4
17.90	Usborne	19½	+½		5.1	∞
115.60	Watson & Phil	298	+2	13.3	5.6	15.5

HOTELS, CATERERS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
2.64	Abrdn Stk H▲	32				
169.80	City Centre Rest	89†		1.5	2.2	21.5
1,950.40	Forte	230	-7		4.1	18.0
21.20	Friendly Hotels	170	-7		4.3	32.0
7.49	Harmony Leis▲	9½				
32.40	Jurys Hotel	122½	+½		5.2	16.8
2,213.50	Ladbroke	194	-7½	11.1	7.4	16.2
455.00	Mandarin Orntl	67	-2		5.1	16.7
439.00	Queens Moat	47⅛		2.8	7.6	6.3
160.50	-do- 7½% crpr	85		7.5	11.0	
3.60	Regal Hotels▲	1½				
49.80	Resort Hotels	45		3.4	9.6	8.8
11.80	Ryan Hotels IL	18			5.6	
36.80	Savoy Hotel 'A'	825	-12	7.0	1.1	
236.30	Stakis	62	-1½		0.9	

INDUSTRIALS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
11.00	AAF Inds	48	-13		22.9	2.0
482.40	AAH	550	+7		3.9	17.7
23.70	AIM	170		7.5	5.5	10.3
282.20	APV	96	-7		7.2	
132.50	ASW	198	-11		3.8	
125.90	Adwest	194	-4	7.0	4.5	27.6
6.65	Aerospace Eng	17½	-2½		5.4	23.0
65.60	Airsprung	277	+6		2.0	17.7
52.20	Alexdra W	155	-12	3.8	3.1	42.8
5.16	Allied Radio	10½	+1			
83.80	Alumasc	570		11.0	2.4	17.4
23.60	Alvis	43		1.0	2.9	8.8
20.50	Amber Ind	525			4.4	12.0
2.28	Amberley Gp▲	38			3.3	
40.00	Anagen	86	-3			
15.10	Andrews Sykes	106	-4		5.2	
239.00	Antofagasta	865	-45		2.3	16.0
14.40	Armour	5½	+2½	1.6	3.9	∞
40.50	Ash & Lacy	155		6.4	5.2	15.9
9.19	Ass Br Eng	3½			1.8	
138.10	Avon Rubber	523	-7		3.9	20.9
27.60	Assoc Nurse▲	250	+1		0.5	15.3
70.70	Atlas Equip	680			4.0	17.1
6.00	Ayrshire Metal	60				
691.20	BBA	171†	-4		5.5	14.5
3.52	BLP Group▲	53				
23.80	BM Gp	21½	-1½	5.0		0.9
3,046.40	BOC	640	-7	23.2	4.5	14.0
169.60	BSG	73	-2½		5.5	25.4
119.90	BSS Group	463	+1		4.7	27.7
12,663.80	BTR	375	-6		3.6	20.7
85.40	BWI	179	-9	6.7	4.7	17.2
185.70	Babcock	34½	+5		7.6	20.6
4.53	Bailey (CH)	8½				
312.20	Baird (Wm)	276	-2	8.9	4.1	18.9
1,153.60	Barlow Rand	587½	-25		5.6	3.5
87.00	Baynes (Charles)	63	-1		2.9	25.6
5.72	Beaufort	7				
5.73	Beckenham▲	6½				
1.28	Bedford (W)▲	27				
20.90	Benson Group	16	+½	0.3	2.4	∞
134.80	Bespak	535	-5	10.0	2.3	16.7
137.60	Bibby (J)	88	-5	9.7		5.2
4.28	Billam (J)	264	+6	5.0	2.4	13.2
2.70	Bilston Batrsea▲	32	-1			
5.79	Birmec Ind	9½	-½			
43.80	Birkby	201	+9	3.5	2.2	19.0
9.40	Black Arrow	38		2.6	8.6	∞
6.09	Black & Edgtn▲	1½				
124.90	Black (Peter)	229	+12	3.7	2.1	∞
36.20	Bluebird Toys▲	465	+118		1.2	29.0
170.10	Bodycote	312			2.0	19.9
1.36	Boyd 'A'	28		0.7	3.1	10.4
5,075.80	Boots	489	-8		3.4	19.1
2.00	Booth Inds	30		0.7	1.8	
2,285.80	Bowater	459†	-19		3.1	19.2
449.00	Bowater Inc	1239†	-28			
60.40	Bowmore Intl▲	272	-1		1.7	20.4
11.10	Braeway	14½	+½	0.5	4.5	∞
123.40	Brammer	299	+2	13.0	5.7	21.2
7.04	Bridgend Gp	34		0.4	2.1	
67.90	Bridon	119	-2		4.2	
8.11	Bridport-Gndry	81		4.1	6.3	15.2
1,268.80	Brierley Inv	45	+1		7.3	∞
27.50	Br Bldg & Eng	245	-3		1.3	
2.28	Br Bloodstock▲	60	+2			
146.00	Br Polythene	490	-22		2.6	17.4
2,230.00	Br Steel	111	-1		1.1	
34.90	Br Syphon	103	-2		3.6	28.9
26.50	Br Thornton	16½	-1		1.9	19.0
523.20	Br Vita	243	-3	7.1	3.7	14.7
78.40	Britton Grp	15½	-½		1.5	
11,200.50	Broken Hill	676	-16		2.5	34.2
74.90	Bromsgrove Ind	109	-2		5.0	14.2
3.36	Brooke Tool	9	-½			
22.90	Brown & Tawse	72	+6			
155.90	Bullough	130		6.0	5.9	22.3
7.47	Business Tech▲	16	-1½			
19.90	CI Group	23		1.0	5.4	22.1
2.60	Campbell & Arm	18	-2			
37.70	Cannon St	36½	-½			
135.90	Cape	256	+1		5.1	17.3
148.60	Carclo Eng	246		8.6	4.4	17.5
1,854.80	Carnaud Mb	2300	+62		2.6	∞
3.67	Cassidy Bros▲	68			4.4	11.2
44.30	Castings	210	+3	4.3	2.6	14.8
143.80	Cathay Intl	62				
14.30	Chamberlin Hill	195	-25	6.2	4.0	12.2
491.10	Charter	719	-4		3.8	16.9
67.30	Chemring	345	-5		3.0	20.8
4.43	Chieftain Gp▲	51		5.1		10.9
11.10	Chillington	39	+2	0.2	0.8	
293.00	Christies Int	183	-1		1.0	45.3
10.50	Claybithe	63			5.0	
1.86	Clayton Son	85	-9			
1.22	Co Designers▲	7		0.2		
5.62	Cohen (A)	303		6.8	2.8	∞
64.20	Community H	197	-2	6.5	4.1	12.3
119.60	Concentric	221	-3		3.2	18.6
49.90	Cook (Wm)	228	-1	5.0	2.7	13.8
1,153.40	Cookson	206†	-4		3.6	23.3
7.70	Copyright▲	71†	+3		1.8	21.7
6.100	Crnwll Pkr 'A'	156	-8	5.7	4.6	13.3
14.40	Cosalt	125	-5	10.7		19.0
8.59	Creighton Nta	18½			4.9	18.1
70.90	CrestaCare	42		0.5	1.5	36.3
1,650.20	Dana	3593⅞	+84½			
367.10	Danka Bs Sys	225	-2		0.6	31.2
120.50	David Brown	227	-6		3.3	16.1
1.40	Davies (DT)▲	22				
1,252.80	De La Rue	852½	-27½	...	3.3	17.3
3.15	Dinkie Heel	21		0.9	4.0	19.1
307.50	Diploma	552	+7	9.7	2.2	28.7
95.50	Dobson Park	79		5.7		14.0
1.85	Dyson (J&J)	112		5.0	5.6	20.6
8.92	-do- 'A'	74	-1	5.0	8.4	13.6
5.86	EPG	12½				
182.10	EIS	413	-24		3.9	16.2
2.92	Eidel	23				
7.25	Elecco	25		2.3		14.7
1,495.90	Electrolux 'B'	2100	-6½		2.5	
17.90	Elliott (B)	73	+8			
1,263.30	Eng China Cl	419	-15		6.1	22.7
18.40	Environmed	128	+2			95.0
6,357.30	Ericsson 'B'	3387½	+196½		0.9	
28.60	Eurocopy	59	-10	1.6		22.9
48.00	Expamet	76	-5			1.8
263.00	Fairey Group	707	-3	10.2	1.8	21.7
39.20	Fenner	90		4.2		17.0
5.38	Ferraris Group	55	-1		2.3	12.9
3.25	Ferromet▲	1½				
6.51	Ferrum	20		2.5	15.6	14.0
5.89	Fife Indmar	56†		0.5	1.1	
1,154.10	Fisons	167	-1½		6.6	15.2
56.20	Fitzwilton	48			9.7	
70.40	Flogas	288			3.6	∞
11.40	Folkes Group nv	37	-1	1.5	5.1	20.7
9.94	French (Thmas)	83	-1	3.6	5.5	41.6
126.20	Frost Group	215	-2		2.4	26.8
31.60	GEI Int	96			7.2	
1,289.30	GKN	499⅛	-5½		5.2	33.7
5.79	GR Hldgs	44	-2		5.7	
3.62	Garton Eng	95		4.0	5.3	
271.90	Gestetner	145	-6	8.2	7.1	6.3
7.74	Gieves	34	-1			24.6
19,519.60	Glaxo	644	+4		4.4	16.2
7.83	Glencheston	30	-2			
615.90	Glynwed	299	-9	11.6	4.9	27.8
64.00	Goode Durrant	121	-5		5.6	
98.10	Grampian Hld	142	-2	5.5	4.8	24.7
2,120.10	Granada	453	+8	7.7	2.1	24.1
48.40	Great Sthrn▲	410	+1		3.4	16.7
8.20	Green (Ernst)▲	102	+2		8.6	14.1
24.20	Greenacre▲	14	-1		2.5	13.9
1.59	Guardian Grp▲	10½				
50.00	Haden Maclm	57	-2		4.5	20.3
5.50	Hadleigh Inds▲	76			0.8	
83.80	Hall Eng	287	-2	8.6	3.8	23.4
397.30	Halma	302½	-5½		1.2	27.2
23.80	Hampson Ind	39	-2½	1.6	5.1	12.9
12,305.10	Hanson	254⅛	+2½		5.6	13.0
22.80	Harris (Philip)	204	-1		4.2	12.4
1,279.40	Harrisns Crsfld	184	-2	9.0	6.2	26.0
17.60	Havelock Euro	68				
6.75	Hay (Norman)	45	-3			
4.35	Headway	27		0.7	3.3	∞
2.53	Healthcare	5			20.0	1.4
770.40	Hepworth	374	-9	14.8	5.0	16.1
11.10	Hewitt (J)	197	-11	3.0	1.9	15.3
1.94	High-Point	38		1.3		
48.00	Hill & Smith	161			4.4	22.4
14.60	Hobson▲	16				77.0
5.05	Holders Tech▲	162	+3		4.6	21.1
39.80	Hopkinsons	51		1.3	3.2	21.1
13.00	Hornby▲	160	+3		7.0	15.1
218.50	Howden	78†	-3	2.2	3.5	14.4
230.60	Hunting	240	-5		5.2	20.3
128.70	Huntigh Tec▲	495	-3		2.5	12.6
925.10	IMI	285	-6		4.5	24.9
45.80	ISA Intl	118	+11	1.5	1.6	18.3
37.20	Intercare Gp▲	146	-1½		2.2	15.4
35.10	Isotron	283	-2	4.3	1.9	∞
3,684.00	Jardine Math	522	-6		2.4	19.0
856.10	Johnson Matth	452	-7		2.8	19.8
64.60	Johnson & FB	46		3.0	8.2	14.2
16.40	Johnston	157		3.2	2.6	
3.04	Jones Stdpman	25	-1			
5.66	Jourdan (T)	30	-1	0.7	3.2	
15.70	Kalamazoo	74½	+½	2.1	3.5	17.3
213.80	Kalon	161½	+4½		2.5	22.4
7.93	Kelsey Ind	258		13.0		
187.00	Kenshaw (A)	538		27.0	6.3	27.9
27.30	Kleeneze	197	+7			
6.45	LGW▲	145†		3.0	2.6	12.0
383.80	Laird	328	+3		4.1	15.9
34.30	Lilleshall	140	-6		3.8	18.4
13.60	Lincat▲	194	+35		3.2	17.2
3.31	Lincoln Hse▲	20½	-½			16.9
14.50	Linread	121		3.7	3.9	18.7
33.60	Linton Park	250	-20		7.1	8.9
23.50	Lionheart	12	-½	0.2	2.1	
6.00	Locker (T) A	20		1.0	6.2	28.1
254.10	Lon Intl	151	-73	9.4	7.8	11.5
927.20	Lonrho	121	+2		4.1	
352.30	Low & Bonar	361	-12		3.2	50.6
1,514.70	MB-Caradon	330†	+7		3.4	25.6
306.80	-do- pf	170½	+3½	7.2	5.3	
58.60	ML Hdgs	39				
11.10	MS Intl	41	-1		7.6	42.2
18.70	MY Holdings	45			2.8	13.7
159.50	Macfarlane	211†	+1		1.9	23.9
398.50	McKechnie	435	-17	14.7	4.2	21.6
62.90	McLeod Russel	104	-1	6.0	7.2	12.7
15.60	Maddox	3½	-½			19.1
6.03	Magnolia	105	+5	0.1	0.1	16.9
17.30	Mang Bronze	105	-1	1.0	1.2	
40.30	Marling	22½	-1		3.6	
36.40	Mayborn▲	183	-1		3.4	15.2
114.90	Mayflower	58	-1		2.7	48.1
296.10	Medeva	109⅛	-3		2.6	8.8
233.00	Meggitt	108	-7½		4.4	15.4
98.00	Metalrax	120	-4		3.8	19.4
35.20	Metrotect	146	-1		2.8	20.3
17.90	Metsec▲	90				
41.70	Midstates	86	+9		1.1	11.9
7.34	Mining & Ald	23		0.5	2.7	
156.60	Molins	505	-5		3.5	13.0
652.60	Morgan Cble	301	-33		5.2	16.1
14.30	Morris Ashby▲	175			3.9	13.3
6.98	Neepsend	29	-2	0.7	3.2	38.9
47.10	Nestor-BNA	63	-3	2.1	6.4	14.8
23.30	Nobo Gp	191	+4	4.8	3.1	18.9
298.70	Norcros	171	-3		5.1	25.0
29.60	Nova Group	47			3.5	15.1
142.90	Nu-Swift	323				∞
4.35	Office Elec Mac	71	+2	0.1	0.2	
14.00	OMI Intl	31½			0.9	
10.30	PCT▲	138			6.8	15.0
2.59	Pacer Systems▲	55	-3		6.8	
345.90	Pentland	96	-6		3.3	12.9
196.40	Photo-Me	334	-59	4.6	1.7	∞
1,300.20	Pilkington	152½	-7½		3.3	
63.70	Plantsbrook	96	+2	3.0	4.4	13.4
226.50	Polypipe	145	+6	2.1	1.8	∞
21.70	Porter Chadbrn	23	-11		6.8	10.5
1.73	Porth Gp▲	9				
316.40	Powerscreen	362	+5		2.2	19.1
29.90	Prospect Inds	17		0.7	5.5	8.5
6.70	RPS Group▲	58†	-3	2.2	4.9	12.4
1.16	Radiant Metal	85	+5			
25.10	Ramco Oil▲	128	-8		1.0	42.9
2,544.10	Rank Org	778	-18	31.0	5.0	21.3
9.07	Ransomes	16	-½			
2,510.00	Reckitt Colm	616	-6		3.3	14.0
23.60	Record	71		3.6	6.4	34.4
6.76	Reece	5½				
50.40	Relyon	240		4.9	2.6	28.8
130.00	Renishaw	262	-1	6.5	3.0	20.4
61.90	Renold	94	+2		1.3	
6,420.10	Reuters	1547	-5	21.2	1.7	25.6
9.48	Rexmore	54	-1	1.7	4.1	
49.00	Ricardo Group	155		5.7	4.6	45.6
6.36	Richard (Leics)	76	+5	4.4	7.2	
22.40	Richardson West	85†	-1	3.0	4.4	21.8
9.29	Ropner	142	+7	8.2	7.4	19.6
21.20	-do- 'A'	136	+4	8.2	7.8	18.8
33.10	Ross Gp	29	-1	0.6	2.8	11.9
154.50	Rotork	178	-3		2.6	20.6
31.80	Rubicon	162	+2		3.3	22.7
15.30	Russell (A)	65	-3			
16.60	SEP Indl	27	-1		3.5	24.7
539.80	SKF 'B'	837½	-25			
53.00	Saville Grdn (J)	53†	-1	2.2	3.2	∞
498.60	Scapa	213	+3		3.3	16.2
136.10	Scholl	203	-8		3.9	14.6
1.97	Scot Heritable	5½				
44.70	Securicor	1078	+5	2.6	0.3	41.0
589.80	-do- 'A'	729	+4	2.6	0.4	27.7
686.20	Security Serv	626	+8	5.0	1.0	31.0
283.40	Senior Eng	118	-2½		3.4	19.5
84.60	Seton Health	285	-12		2.5	16.8
3.26	Sheldon Jones▲	63				
7.51	Shiloh	130		2.9	2.8	14.0
174.50	Sidlaw	319	-6		3.9	20.4
1,982.70	Siebe	511	-15		2.4	19.9
176.50	Silentnight	374			2.7	22.0
1,409.70	Sime Darby	132	-2		4.2	∞
66.40	Simon Eng	66				
46.00	Sinclair (Wm)	211	-2	7.0	4.1	13.6
20.90	Six Hundred	38			5.8	
1,503.80	Smith & Neph	148	-5		4.0	16.0
5,554.10	Smithkline	406	-11	8.6	2.6	14.7
4,755.30	Smthkline Uts	363	-1		3.7	11.1
1,079.60	Smiths Ind	365	-18	11.2	3.9	14.8
66.70	Sthn Bus	69		3.3	6.1	6.5
47.20	Spandex▲	440	+10		1.9	19.5
27.60	Spear (JW)	525	-25	4.0	3.4	9.8
281.60	Spirax-Sarco	372	-3		3.1	23.8
220.20	Spring Ram	62	-2½		0.7	77.0
280.70	Staveley	255	-2		4.2	14.4
45.90	Sterling Ind	164			4.3	25.1
191.80	Suter	176		8.8	6.4	18.1
	Swire Pacific 'A'	324	-7		2.7	∞
4.22	Sycamore	3½	-½			
5.83	Sykes-Pick	63			7.9	12.1
23.40	Syltone	287	+5		4.1	19.1
1,585.70	TI	341	-17		3.9	23.3
6.10	TLS Range▲	27	-2		1.2	
287.50	TT Group	281	-2		2.9	17.3
219.00	Takare	245†		1.8	0.9	20.3
7,101.50	Takeda Chem	812	+28		0.6	21.5
4.18	Tex Hldgs	63				
6.85	Tinsley (E)▲	94	-1		7.2	14.5
27.00	Titon▲	240	+5		1.9	20.9
2,642.50	Tomkins	237	+10		3.3	17.5
1,043.50	Trafalgar H	98	-5		4.1	7.2
92.60	Transfer Tech	485	-1	16.0	4.2	12.1
109.00	Triplex Lloyd	169	-4		5.2	20.3
335.80	UniChem	240	-1	5.6	2.9	15.7
70.20	Unidare	366			5.4	11.9
10.50	Unigroup	34	-1			
8,577.90	Unilever	1099	+1	21.3	2.5	14.4
11,385.40	Unilever (NV)	7087½	+56½		2.0	11.9
329.70	VSEL	870	-18		4.2	9.4
11.50	Verson	8½				
496.20	Vickers	151†	-1		1.2	
128.90	Victaulic	293†	-5		3.3	14.5
179.10	Vinten	439	-5		2.0	20.3
208.60	Vosper Thorny	675	-2		2.9	16.3
4.56	WSP Hldgs	43	+2			10.9
190.90	Wagon Ind	431	+1		5.0	19.0
92.80	Walker Greenbk	97	+3	3.1	4.0	24.7
383.00	Wassall	251	+10	2.5	1.2	25.2
280.00	Wtrfrd Wdgwd	39½	+½			
472.10	Weir	304†	-19		2.4	17.1
6,020.40	Wellcome	696	-36	13.0	2.3	19.2
6.26	Wellman	19½		0.9	5.8	31.8
169.30	West Hlthcare	332	+9		1.4	∞
111.30	Whatman	488	-10	9.5	2.4	16.4
79.20	Whessoe	272	-2		3.7	10.6
27.50	Whitecroft	63	+2½			
10.10	Widney	7½	-½			
22.20	Wilkes (James)	126		3.5		36.4
1,597.40	Williams Hldg	326	-6	12.5	4.9	16.8
27.50	Wilshaw	34	-1		1.8	21.4
1,681.10	Wolseley	632	-8	12.5	2.5	21.9
2.50	Wood (Arthur)	125		1.5	1.5	45.5
13.10	Wyko	40			3.1	
9.28	Young (H)	56		3.0	6.7	20.5

INSURANCE

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
589.70	Alex & Alex	1541½	-43½		4.3	
4,740.70	Am Gen	2193½	-18½		3.4	
12.90	Archer (AJ)	51		4.4		24.8
10.80	Berry Bch Nbl▲	166			4.0	12.9
72.60	Bradstock	136	-3	5.1	4.7	16.8
887.80	Britannic	470†	-18		3.0	
3,254.90	Com Union	605	-8		5.0	
111.20	Dom & Gen	1635	+7		1.7	∞
81.70	FAI	33	-3			
3,048.80	Gen Accident	676		26.7	5.0	
1,822.60	GRE	210	-8	7.0	4.2	17.2
258.40	Heath C E	400	-10		5.0	
139.10	Hogg Gp	216	-10	8.1	4.7	19.6
148.30	JIB Group	180	-3	7.5	5.3	18.0
2,376.60	Legal & Gen	487	-8		5.0	29.2
2,094.40	Liberty Life	914†	+36		3.2	15.8
2,899.50	Lloyds Abbey	431	+5	17.3	5.0	15.5
195.20	Lloyd Thomp	304	-8	5.6	2.3	22.4
423.20	Londn & Man	353	-6	14.2	5.0	26.0
117.50	Lowndes Lmb	418	-13	13.5	4.0	15.0
4,354.80	Marsh McLn	5937½	+100		3.0	
22.00	Oriel	111	+2		5.7	
20.70	PWS	66	-5	4.0	7.6	9.6
6,295.90	Prudential	334	+1		4.5	21.9
525.80	Refuge	1023		31.5	3.8	28.3
1,992.40	Royal	307†	-7		2.6	
960.80	Sedgwick	187†	-3		4.0	23.0
74.40	Steel Burrill	159	-90			9.2
43.50	Sturge Hldgs	86		8.2		8.7
2,958.00	Sun Alliance	367	-9	14.2	4.9	
93.20	Trade Indemnty	51				
963.50	Transatlantic	329		12.0	4.6	30.5
520.10	Utd Friendly	635	-42	14.5	2.9	27.4
959.60	Willis Corroon	230†			3.6	49.4
5.51	Windsor	20				15.7

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INVESTMENT TRUSTS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
870.90	Alliance	1728†	-25	45.0	3.3	37.8
213.20	Amer Trust	256†	+7	4.9	2.4	53.1
445.40	Ang & O'seas	390	-4	6.8	2.2	49.5
72.70	BZW Conv	144		7.8	6.9	∞
277.30	Bankers	179	-1½	3.4	2.4	49.2
159.00	Baring Tribne	310		6.4	2.6	49.0
9.83	Berry Starq	199		2.2	1.5	61.4
391.70	Br Assets	102†	-½		5.2	25.0
105.70	Br Empire Sec	79½		0.8	1.4	
3.66	-do- Wnts	27½				
580.30	Br Inv	186	-1	4.5	3.0	41.9
40.60	Conti Asset	187	-3	2.4	1.6	62.2
17.60	Derby Inc	149	-2		12.0	9.0
36.50	-do- Cap	238	-10			
9.60	Drayton Blue	76	-2	8.4	13.8	8.4
38.10	-do- Eng Intl	84		1.2	1.8	
137.60	-do- Far East	119	-5	0.6	0.7	
24.60	-do- Korea	107	-7	0.5	0.6	
203.80	Dunedin Inc G	643†	-10	25.4	4.9	29.6
38.20	-do- Japan	95½	-2½			
4.03	-do- Warrants	30	-2			
222.10	-do- Wwde	863	-10	9.5	1.8	68.5
47.90	Dundee & Lon	295	-1		3.9	26.3
863.80	Edinburgh	294	-8	8.4	3.6	32.2
477.50	Electra Inv	276	-7	6.7	3.0	37.6
161.80	Electric Gen	179	-5	3.1	2.2	55.8
1.66	English Scot	110	-2			
72.80	European Asset	292	-3		2.4	37.9
30.00	Finsbury 'A'	125		3.0	3.0	40.2
186.70	Fleming Amer	282	-2	0.7	0.3	
108.70	-do- Claver	204	-3		3.3	40.0
108.50	Do Conti	304	-9	2.7	1.1	
77.80	-do- Emp	194½	-2½		3.0	39.3
458.10	-do- F East	303	-42	1.1	0.5	
40.80	-do- Fledg	324		3.0	1.2	
27.40	-do- HI Inc	96	-4		5.7	16.4
261.70	-do- Japan	227	-40	0.3	0.2	
400.30	-do- Merc	277†	-3½	6.7	3.0	59.3
374.50	-do- O'seas	282	-2	4.2	1.9	∞
1,271.70	Foreign & Col	242	-4		1.8	65.9
122.70	-do- Eurost	208	-6	1.2	0.7	
47.20	-do- German	120	-3	0.5	0.5	
300.30	-do- Pacific	282	-12	1.9	0.9	
144.50	-do- Smaller	162	-½	1.8	1.4	
142.30	GT Japan	228	-12		0.6	
25.00	Genl Cons Cap	138	-6			
39.10	-do- Inc	109	-3		9.8	11.2
34.40	Govett Am Smlr	138	-1			
540.90	-do- Oriental	301	-5	0.9	0.4	
264.20	-do- Strategy	359	-11		3.1	37.1
45.90	Greenfriar	399			2.0	59.9
0.82	Gresham House	19				
30.90	Independent Inv	54½	-½	0.6	1.4	∞
340.20	Inv Cap	137½	-2½	5.1	4.6	27.6
27.50	IRS UK Smllr	85		2.8	3.7	26.5
159.60	Kleinwort Chrt	197	-6	5.0	3.2	38.3
181.30	-do- O'seas	226	-1	3.3	1.8	64.2
18.20	-do- Smlr	130			3.4	31.2
148.50	Law Debenture	654	-5	18.2	3.5	32.7
102.90	Majedie	196	-1	...	3.0	37.9
272.10	Merchants	260	-3		5.2	24.5
6,852.80	Merrill Lynch	6463⅞	+200			
373.30	Monks Inv Tst	481	-8		1.7	60.9
30.90	Morg Gren Inc	125	-2		4.6	25.0
2.29	Do Warrants	47				
15.50	Murray Euro	51½	-½	0.1	0.4	
0.60	Do Wts	15				
279.90	Murray Income	334†	-6	10.9	4.1	∞
393.10	-do- Intl	327	-2	11.6	4.5	29.2
205.90	-do- Small	307	-5		1.4	
5.05	-do- S/C Inc	92	-1		14.4	9.0
4.80	-do- S/C Cap	122	-6			
1.50	-do- S/C Uts	2500	-30		4.6	
9.22	-do- S/C DP	154	-½			
72.60	-do- Vent	234	-11		4.4	23.2
94.50	New Frontier	99½	+9½	0.2	0.3	
33.70	Newthrg Inc	86	-2	6.7	9.8	16.1
122.70	O'seas Inv Tst	322	-4	2.8	1.1	
75.20	Pacific Assets	380	-5	1.1	0.4	
10.90	Do Warrants	283	-5			
12.90	Personal Assets	8290			2.4	49.3
298.50	RIT Cap Ptnr	144		1.1	1.0	
23.90	River & Merc	119	-1	9.2	9.7	11.9
	Robeco	425	+12		2.9	
	Rolinco	399			1.9	
94.30	St Andrew Inv	274		7.5	3.4	36.8
338.80	Scot American	151½	-2		3.8	32.0
45.60	Scot Asian	217	-4			
3.49	do Warrants	498	-5			
491.00	-do- Eastern	774	-2	1.5	2.5	50.9
543.40	Scottish	213½	-3½	4.6	2.7	44.3
753.90	-do- Mrge	209	-12	4.0	2.4	54.2
36.20	-do- Value	96½	+1½		2.3	68.7
287.00	Second Allnce	1547	-1	39.0	3.2	∞
272.30	Secs Tst of Scot	86	-½	3.2	4.8	28.1
44.50	Selective Assets	154		1.2	1.0	55.4
40.00	Sphere Inv	33	+½	3.1	12.0	10.4
70.20	TR Far East	151	-3	4.5	3.7	33.1
280.60	TR City Of Lon	146½	-3	4.8	4.1	∞
103.80	TR Pacific	155		0.3	0.3	
86.70	TR Property	30½		0.9	3.7	32.0
41.40	TR Tech Inv	94	-4	1.2	2.3	34.9
322.50	TR Smlr Cos	181	-5		2.6	41.9
187.90	Temple Bar	328	-1	13.2	5.0	24.7
93.08	Thrgmtn Asian E	93	-½	0.5	0.7	
224.80	Throgmorton	74	-2	2.3	3.9	30.2
17.80	Thmg Dual Cp.	508	-17			
83.10	USDC Invest	227	-1	4.5	2.5	41.5
36.20	Value Inc Tst	109	+2	3.6	4.1	27.4
446.70	Whitbread Inv	708	+7	16.5	2.9	42.6
791.90	Witan	211	-3	5.6	3.3	37.0

LEISURE

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
362.70	Airtours	393	-22	7.2	2.3	13.9
36.40	Ald Leis	57	+1	4.7		16.3
135.40	Anglia TV	390			3.3	16.2
15.30	Baldwin	94	-2	3.0	4.5	11.4
22.00	Barr & W 'A'	222	-1	10.0	5.6	14.3
48.60	Boosey Hwks	1245		22.0	2.2	18.7
14.40	Border TV▲	141†			2.9	12.7
17.40	Brent Walker	6	-½			
2.96	Bristol Scots	53				
8.44	Buckingham Int	7	+½			
15.00	Campari	144	+1		10.4	
130.60	Capital Radio	213	-12	5.2	3.1	26.6
1,466.60	Carlton Comm	737	-10	17.0	2.9	21.7
11.70	Castle Comm▲	186	+2		5.7	17.2
552.60	Central TV	2095		38.0	2.3	22.4
38.10	Chrysalis	106				
506.20	Compass Gp	565	-23		2.9	16.9
56.30	Eurocamp	214		9.7	5.7	8.8
1,152.60	Euro Disney	678	-22		1.7	
8.05	Euro Leisure	4½				
34.30	Ex-Lands	35	+1½			
9.94	Fairline Boats	294	+4	10.5	4.6	
453.70	First Leisure	278⅛	-10½	6.1	2.8	19.3
16.20	GWR Gp▲	528			1.7	27.1
34.40	Grampian	244	+1	6.1	3.1	16.9
1.40	Greenwich Com▲	20	+6			
49.90	HTV Group	72	+1			32.0
21.40	Hi-Tec Sports	46	-5		5.4	
26.50	Kunick	11	-½			
496.50	LWT Hldgs	480	+6		1.3	22.2
62.60	Man Utd	513	-5	18.0	4.4	17.6
145.20	Owners Abrd	89	+2	3.5	5.0	7.0
27.00	The Pelican Gp	67	-7		2.1	15.7
11.10	Prism Leisure▲	136			3.0	12.6
6.78	Quadrant Grp	29	-2			
29.30	Radio Clyde▲	325	-2		3.3	25.5
12.00	Ramsdens (H)	200	-7		2.8	26.5
238.60	Scot TV	497	-7	9.9	2.5	24.5
16.70	Southern Radio	59	-3	0.7	1.7	24.6
104.40	Stanley Leisure	234	-11	4.3	2.3	18.5
7.82	Sunleigh▲	8½				
7.03	Sunset & Vine	123		3.5	3.6	14.4
647.30	Tanjong	345½			0.5	∞
19.00	Ticketing▲	2½				
15.20	Tottenham Hot	95	-5			3.1
22.70	Trans World▲	57½	+1		1.8	20.7
53.20	Ulster TV	497	+5	10.0	2.5	15.1
69.40	Vardon	95	+1	0.7	1.0	22.4
46.40	Wembley	18	-½	0.2	1.4	
11.30	Whitegate	39	+1			
115.40	Yorkshire TV	229	+6	12.0	6.6	6.9
7.54	Zetters Gp	115	+2	8.0	8.7	13.0

MINING

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1,030.20	Am Gold	4225	+537½		4.7	21.4
341.70	Ang Am Coal	1356½	+50		6.5	7.2
4,354.30	Ang Am	1875	+128½		3.6	16.3
21.80	Anglo Pac Res▲	28	+1			
25.90	Blyvoors	108	+17		5.7	5.9
4.41	Bracken	31½	-2½			1.8
58.30	Buffels	530	+53		11.8	∞
4.12	Bume	1½				
3,791.40	CRA	639	-13		3.1	21.9
19.60	Cliff Res	27	+½			
4,277.20	De Beers	1125	+18½		4.2	15.3
94.60	Deelkraal	95	-2		2.0	∞
13.30	Doornfontein	33	-6			
1,440.20	Driefontein	706	+104		4.1	∞
9.30	Durban	400	-4			
54.20	E Rand Gold	118	+4		9.4	3.4
33.90	E Rand Prop	204	+18			
292.90	Elandsrand	302	+3		3.9	7.4
431.30	FS Cons	706	+116		6.9	8.9
9.34	FS Dev	42	-3			
1,126.00	GFSA	1168	+161		3.3	∞
2,064.20	Gencor	190	+15		6.2	12.3
22.60	GM Kalgoorli	44½	+4		2.9	11.6
10.70	Greenwich R 'A'	13½	-½			
13.00	Grootvlei	114	+14		8.6	7.1
58.60	Harmony	218	-8			
282.20	Hartes	281	-4		7.2	10.2
31.00	Inco	15	-1			
390.60	Impala Plat	628	-2		4.3	21.5
8.51	Kinross Res▲	8½				
140.90	Kinross	780	+40		6.1	9.0
892.60	Kloof	644	+115		3.3	∞
14.40	Leslie	90	+14		4.4	9.5
21.90	Loraine	134	+1			
123.60	Lydenburg	780			2.6	∞
1,154.70	MIM	82½	-1		2.6	40.0
1,918.70	Minorco	1120	+33		3.6	12.5
763.90	Nth Bkn Hill	120	+2½		3.9	19.7
388.40	Orange Free	1725	+290½		7.3	13.9
7,313.40	RTZ	688	-25		3.9	19.1
82.00	Rand Mines	550			10.1	2.6
274.50	Randfontein	449	-7		6.3	∞
364.50	Renison	133	-2		3.3	13.8
1,112.30	Rustnbrg	887½	+3½		3.6	∞
45.10	St Helena	469	+49		5.0	9.9
362.70	Southvaal	1395	-84		3.9	25.4
10.30	Stilfontein	78	+45		7.7	14.2
32.50	Unisel	116	+7		2.5	11.8
5,226.20	Vaal Reefs	4387½	+412½		4.8	7.9
157.30	Welkom	445	+86		7.2	13.6
101.20	Western Areas	251	+2		2.7	∞
519.60	Western Deep	1875	+228½		3.2	9.1
2,010.20	Wstrn Mining	209½	-1½		2.0	∞
89.40	Winkels	734	+23		1.3	6.3
89.50	Zambia Copper	73	+4			
45.60	Zandpan	35	-3		6.4	11.8

MOTORS, AIRCRAFT

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
4.66	Abbey Panels	233	...	...	...	...
11.50	Airflow Stream	135		3.0	2.8	33.0
71.30	Appleyard	151	-4	5.2	4.3	
14.80	Bletchley Mtr	325			3.4	16.4
26.20	Bostrom	166	+6	6.0	4.6	28.9
1,542.20	Br Aerospace	408	-19	7.0	2.2	
53.00	Burndene	47			3.1	12.5
12.50	Caffyns	378	-10	11.5	3.8	76.5
19.40	Caverdale	13½	-½			
18.00	Central Mtr▲	135			3.7	34.3
11.10	Cook (DC)▲	26			2.9	∞
353.30	Cowie (T)	250	-2	6.2	3.1	19.0
24.90	Dag Motors	138		5.7	5.2	24.9
30.30	Dvnprt Vern	155			3.3	18.6
29.20	ERF	298		2.0	0.8	
52.10	European Mtr	139	-1		3.1	19.5
86.00	Evans Halshaw	400†		11.8	3.5	61.6
194.50	FR Group	260	-8		3.5	12.1
17,326.60	Ford Motor	3565⅞	+137½			
21,646.70	General Mtr	3062½	+92½		1.6	
5.53	Gowrings	61	-5	2.0	4.3	
46.20	Henlys	241†	-2	3.0	1.6	
3,918.50	Honda Motor	916	+3		0.6	
2.81	Jacks (Wm)	26				
8.47	Jessups	100		4.5	5.6	
292.40	Kwik-Fit	170	+7		2.5	30.1
309.00	Lex Service	413			3.2	22.6
31.00	Lookers	162	-2	6.2	4.8	
1,076.80	Lucas	152	-6	7.0	5.8	
21.30	Malaya Grp	24				
105.30	Pendragon	273	-11		3.0	22.2
36.80	Perry Gp	196		7.0	4.9	
43.10	Quicks Group	188†	-5		3.0	24.0
1,768.80	Rolls-Royce	149⅛	-2½		4.3	
910.10	T & N	197	-7		7.3	26.5
110.00	Trinity Hldgs	214			3.2	∞
78.20	Vardy (Reg)	173	-2		3.0	24.2
223.70	Westland	235	-11	4.2	2.3	20.8

NEWS, PUBLISHERS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
28.60	Adscene	193		5.0	3.3	19.4
5.55	Black (A&C)	360		13.5	4.7	14.8
272.30	Blenheim Gp	295	-33		3.9	10.9
56.20	Bristol	545			4.3	34.1
490.00	Daily Mail	9800	-125	130	1.7	22.1
487.50	Daily Mail 'A'	9750	-175	130	1.7	22.0
183.00	Dorling Kind	297	+1		1.3	28.4
614.20	EMAP	354	+1		2.8	21.8
219.00	Euromoney Pb	1088		29.5	3.4	24.5
22.20	Harrington K	233	-19	4.5	3.4	18.9
47.60	Haynes Pub	465	+2	8.0	2.2	∞
124.20	Hodder H'tne	360	-2	5.0	1.6	30.6
13.90	Home Counts	190		6.0		
21.70	Intl Bus Comm	143	+½			20.7
8.62	Int Cm & Data▲	12½				
302.80	Independent	386†	-6		3.0	18.9
177.70	Johnston Press	577	-1	6.2	1.4	24.9
31.00	Metal Bulletn	318		8.0	3.1	22.3
725.40	Mirror Gp	181	+3			
7,030.70	News Corp	433⅛	-9		0.3	19.7
1,802.50	News Intl	261	-15		0.7	16.0
2,677.60	Pearson	525	-8		2.9	28.2
74.20	Portsmth Sund	618	-8		1.9	17.0
3,498.90	Reed Int	695†	-4		3.1	30.3
22.60	Southnews	149			1.8	27.6
55.60	Sterling Pub▲	170†			2.2	18.7
516.00	Telegraph	385†	-7		3.6	16.2
4,127.60	Thomson Corp	725			2.1	38.2
270.80	Trinity Intl	393	+8	8.7	2.8	23.4
1.82	Unit Group▲	34	+2			
1,333.50	Utd Nwspprs	549	-25		4.9	16.2

OILS, GAS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
98.40	Aran Energy	34				33.1
23.20	Arcon Intl▲	40				
	Atl Oil & Gas	62	+½			
19.90	Arive Pet	63	-1			
4.00	Beverley	11½				
90.40	Br Borneo	201		7.1	4.3	6.0
14,098.20	British Gas	326	-4½	14.2	5.6	15.5
18,144.40	Br Petroleum	290½	-3	8.4	3.5	23.3
8.53	Bula Resources	1½				
1,451.50	Burmah Castl	768†	-7		4.1	17.0
39.50	Cairn Energy	61	-2			8.7
447.10	Calor Gp	266	-30		5.8	21.6
190.70	Clyde Pet	50	-1			
37.50	Coplex Res	37	-4			
2.93	Edin Oil & Gs▲	17½	-½			
2,122.20	Enterprise	444	-21	16.0	4.6	23.9
37.00	Exp Co Louis	35	+2			
58.60	Fairhaven Intl	24	-1½		2.3	8.5
79.10	Goal Pet	59	-3	1.4	3.0	11.3
42.60	Gt Western Res	47	+3			
180.80	Hardy O & G	180	-10		0.8	14.9
58.00	Kck Energy	41	-1			
1,012.40	LASMO	135	+½	3.3		27.1
5.80	-do- Units	79		9.4	16.1	
30.60	Mid Scot Res▲	10	-½			
342.10	Monument	51½	-½			
6.95	New London	9½				
14.10	Nth Sea Assets	25		1.0	4.6	9.1
91.80	Oil Search	20	-2			
	Petroz	14½	-1			
22.30	Pict Pet	140	+1			6.3
122.00	Premier	25½	-1			
28.20	Presidio	115			5.3	
339.70	Ranger	345	+57		4.2	
34,043.80	Royal Dtch Fl	6492½	-100		4.7	16.2
9,908.00	Schlumberger	4087½	-31½		2.0	
35.80	Seafield	54				
21,779.60	Shell	657	+7½	21.0	4.2	16.9
5.06	Sunrise Eng Sv	173				
19.80	Triton Europe	24				
13.10	Villers Grp	13	+½			
953.30	Woodside	143	+5½		2.4	

PAPER, PRINT, ADVTG

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
25.90	AG Holdings	144	-1		4.6	13.0
69.20	API	325		7.5	2.9	20.3
1,703.10	Arjo Wiggins	210	-1		3.9	33.5
80.80	Abbott Mead	539		9.3	2.2	27.9
66.30	Aegis Gp	39	+3			
17.30	Aspen Comm▲	134	-1		4.6	12.6
1.06	BBB Design▲	13				
102.80	Bemrose	406	+3		3.6	16.1
5.35	Birtdale	13½	-2	0.2	1.9	17.4
613.60	Bunzl	145		4.0	3.5	21.0
36.20	CIA Gp	309	+3		1.8	19.5
60.50	Capital Inds	229	-2		1.8	21.8
6.02	City of Lon▲	78			6.2	14.4
19.60	Cropper (Jmes)	243	-1	3.1	1.6	23.5
3.66	Crown Com▲	6				
7.46	Delyn Pckging	98	-1	1.6	2.4	11.8
25.00	Dolphin Pack	106		4.5	5.3	26.2
9.65	Dudley Jenkns▲	84			4.6	19.1
23.70	Elswick	11½	-½		3.3	14.8
21.70	Fairway Group▲	70	-1	3.1	5.6	20.6
111.50	Ferguson Intl	340			4.6	15.4
14.20	Ferry Pick	105†			6.7	28.3
33.40	Filofax▲	149	-2		1.1	19.1
3.31	Finch	13½				
10.90	Gibbon Lyons▲	121			5.2	13.7
73.90	Gold Greenless	281	+1	8.3	3.8	∞
3.29	Goodhead	22		0.5	2.8	
24.90	Hunterprint	43	-4			
8.84	Intereurope	165		7.4	5.7	10.8
82.00	Jarvis Porter	258	+2		2.3	24.1
14.90	Lopex	38	-1			
98.80	More O'Ferrall	305	-1	13.2	5.4	30.6
43.90	NMC Group	110	-4	2.0	2.3	16.8
10.20	Osborne & Lttle	170	+3		3.4	18.7
318.50	Portals	493	-4		3.7	16.8
5.78	Premier Hlth	2				
60.90	Quarto	286†	+21		2.7	17.6
306.60	St Ives Gp	310		5.2	2.1	21.1
39.20	Saatchi	162				
513.50	Sappi	342	-15		10.8	6.6
7.55	Serif▲	30½				
18.60	Shandwick	22½	-1			
596.60	Smith David	380	-4		3.5	18.9
1,166.80	Smurfit (Jeff)	239	+1		3.0	16.2
1.22	Sonic	61		1.5	3.1	25.0
50.30	Stat-Plus	234		8.0	4.3	20.5
59.60	Taylor Nelson	27½	+½	0.3	1.4	22.8
4.97	VTR▲	68			6.2	19.4
531.90	WPP	103	-1		1.2	3.9
130.70	Wace	175†	+1			
208.20	Waddington (J)	259	+1		3.8	19.4
247.60	Watmough	748	+16	11.5	1.9	29.3
6.97	Westport▲	6				
1.65	Whitney Mcke▲	23	-1			
12.50	Wood (SW)	76	-2		2.1	16.3

PROPERTY

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
72.40	Allied Lon	104	+2	3.5	4.2	
5.49	Arcadian	62				
23.00	Ascot Hldgs	6½				
81.70	Asda	104			2.5	10.9
64.70	Avonside	149	+9	4.0	3.4	20.6
6,621.60	BCE▲	2162½	+100			
281.30	Bilton	648	-3	18.9	3.6	23.4
7.24	Bourne End	90		1.0	1.4	
313.30	Bradford	218	-4	5.4	3.1	22.1
5.87	Bredero	16	-1			
1,145.70	Br Land	381	-19		2.3	34.7
530.60	Brixton	229	-3		4.6	18.1
141.20	Burford	76†	-1		1.6	
52.30	Cap & Regnl▲	175	+1		0.8	
5.57	Cardiff Prop	215		2.4	1.4	
91.60	Chesterfield	490		11.0	2.8	35.1
6.17	City-Site Ests	40	-1	1.4		
4.12	Clarke Nickolls	20				
28.10	Conrad Rtlat GS	47	-2			
207.30	Daejan	1272	+8		2.7	15.7
4.19	Davis Estates	2½				
43.70	Debenham Twsn	100	+1		3.8	19.5
3.78	De Morgan	8				
27.30	Dencora	153	+1	3.0	2.5	
64.80	Derwent Hldgs	556	+8	8.6	1.9	69.3
49.80	Development Sec	42½	-1½			
6.80	Dwyer	53				
17.10	Estates Agency	285		3.0		26.1
4.49	Estates Gen	21				
136.60	Evans Of Leeds	206			2.8	18.2
32.60	Five Oaks	33½	+1			
5.21	Fletcher King	62		1.0	2.0	41.1
236.40	Frogmore	471			4.0	27.4
38.40	Grainger	193	+2	5.2	3.4	43.1
640.70	Gt Portland	210	-6		4.8	20.1
21.50	Greycoat	29½	+2½			
3,842.00	HK Land	143	-5		4.6	19.5
256.40	Hambro Cntyw	78†		0.5	0.8	
211.20	Hammerson	397	-6	10.0	3.1	40.2
698.00	-do- 'A'	363	-7	10.0	3.4	36.7
40.80	Helical Bar	251	-1		2.4	9.0
30.30	Hemingway	32				
10.70	Herring Baker	67	-5	3.7	7.0	16.8
2.76	Jermyn	138				
3,380.10	Land Sec	668	+3	22.8	4.3	20.1
251.70	Lon Merch Sec	104	-1	4.0	4.8	16.2
2.13	Lon & Metro	3½				
1,956.50	MEPC	504	+10		5.0	21.7
4.82	McInerney A	8				
36.40	McKay Secs	134		3.5	3.3	18.4
7.33	Marchmth	6			0.5	
5.40	Merivale Mre	39	-2	1.0		
1.32	Merlin Intl	5				
4.95	Moorfield Es	45	+5			
98.80	Mountview	1200	-50	20.0	2.1	11.9
163.00	Mucklow (A&J)	167		5.9	4.4	23.5
6.15	Olives Prop	36		1.5	5.2	
4.32	Ossory Es	4½	-½	0.1		1.4
185.70	PSIT	153		4.1	3.4	30.3
241.80	Peel	302	+8	4.0	1.7	
9.30	Power Corp	8				0.9
7.02	Property Trust	37	-1			∞
15.90	Raglan	51	-5			
24.00	Regalian	20½				
16.90	Rowlinson Secs	135		1.5	1.4	35.9
50.20	St Modwen Prp	43	-1	0.6	1.7	32.8
23.70	Savills	64	+4		2.0	25.3
98.20	Scot Met	98		1.5		
47.70	Shaftesbury	98				
1.11	Shield	11½	-½			0.0
934.60	Slough Estates	243†	+2		4.2	17.0
71.00	Southend Prop	77			3.9	
53.10	Stanhope Prps▲	32				
87.90	Tops Ests	191	+2	2.1	1.4	68.1
126.60	Town Centre	125		3.1	3.1	23.3
34.20	Trafford Park	80	+2	2.5	4.0	21.6
1.73	UK Land	40	-2			
12.60	Union Square	6½				
122.50	Warner	252	-2	10.5	5.2	23.0
83.70	Warnford	218		7.5	4.3	16.0
2.76	Waterglade	2½				
105.60	Wates	88		0.7		
5.99	Wood John D▲	73	-1			

SHOES, LEATHER

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
0.86	Automagic▲	15	-1			
60.20	Headlam	177	+4		1.8	39.8
19.60	Lambert	330	+15	13.0	5.0	8.0
13.00	Pittards	60	-3	2.0	4.2	17.1
46.30	Strong & Fisher	26	-1	1.0	4.8	7.2
35.20	Stylo	184			2.0	70.4
13.80	UK Safety	65	-1		23.8	2.1

TEXTILES

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
139.60	Allied Text	488	+4	12.6	3.2	15.7
7.45	Beckman (A)	61		4.7		12.1
2.73	Bolton Gp	29				14.8
21.90	Br Mohair	165		8.5	6.9	15.3
2.56	Chartwell▲	41				
127.00	Claremont Gn	340	-5	7.2	2.7	21.0
541.40	Courtauld Text	536†	-19	13.6	3.2	14.7
5.38	Cupid▲	30	-3			
326.50	Dawson	209	-4		5.4	15.9
6.17	Drummond	38				
9.46	Faupel▲	81			7.6	12.5
2.29	Foster (John)	20	-1			
5.97	Gaskell	123		4.2	4.4	
36.80	Hicking Pntcst	223	+7		2.2	17.3
5.66	Jerome (S)	75	+10			
108.30	Lamont	361	+1	12.0	4.2	23.9
97.80	Leeds	515	+10		1.8	26.9
10.00	Lister	61	+5	0.1	0.2	
6.03	Lyles (S)	83		4.9	7.4	9.4
46.80	Magellan	188	-1	1.4	0.9	
9.63	Parkland 'A'	168	+3	2.0	1.5	
194.30	Readicut	101			4.3	19.0
1.93	SEET	48	-7			
69.00	Sirdar	129	+13	5.3	5.3	∞
60.80	Stirling Gp	70		1.8	3.3	17.1
34.60	Stoddard	49			3.8	45.6
18.60	Tomkinsons	289		11.5	4.8	25.8
3.84	West Trust	36	-3	2.5	8.7	∞
17.80	Yorklyde	181			3.6	11.9

TOBACCOS

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
14,488.00	BAT	471	+20		4.9	14.1
3,890.10	Rothmans 'B'	643	-38	11.5	2.2	12.7

TRANSPORT

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
839.60	Assoc Br Ports	448	+19		2.4	
4,207.30	BAA	825	+5		2.4	20.5
3,255.00	Br Airways	350	-16		3.8	19.3
23.30	Clarkson (H)	102	+14	1.5	1.8	
26.30	Davies Newman	23				
1,308.20	Eurotunnel Uts	480	+16			
20.20	Fisher (James)	82		1.0	1.5	22.0
31.20	IoM Steam	208†			4.8	10.9
7.37	Jacobs (JI)	32†		0.5	2.0	
13.50	Lon O'Seas Frts	80	+2		1.4	17.4
117.00	Manchstr Sh	2825	-37½	4.5	0.2	16.0
227.30	Mersey Docks	378		7.5	2.5	24.0
101.40	Nati Express	286	-14		3.5	18.2
1,473.60	NFC	266		6.5	3.1	20.1
509.70	Ocean Group	331	-6		5.5	
26.20	Ocean Wilson	66	-7	4.0	7.6	12.0
3,388.90	P & O Dfd	603	-8		6.6	31.4
112.00	P & O 5 1/2%	168	+10		4.1	
361.20	Powell Duffryn	540	+4		5.1	21.3
16.80	Seacon▲	173†			3.7	10.9
178.00	Stagecoach	147			3.2	∞
370.90	TNT	55	+1½			
318.40	Tibbett & Britn	732	-8	11.8	2.0	28.1
278.00	Tiphook	253	-15		9.5	
380.60	TDG	260	-2		4.6	8.5

WATER

Mkt cap (million)	Company	Price (p)	Wkly +/-	Net div	Yld %	P/E
1,613.20	Anglian Water	545	+5		4.8	11.1
438.80	Northumbrian	661	-2		4.3	6.7
1,954.50	North West	524	-2		5.1	9.3
1,963.50	Severn Trent	550	-6		4.9	8.8
943.00	Sthrn Water	566	-10		4.7	9.4
69.60	Sth Staffs	1600		47.0	3.7	11.4
719.20	South West	574	-6		5.2	9.4
2,171.20	Thames Water	564	+7		4.7	10.9
880.00	Welsh Water	614	-19		4.8	6.2
810.90	Wessex Water	655	+11		4.1	9.9
1,105.30	Yorkshire W	556	-9		4.8	9.5

BRITISH FUNDS

SHORTS (under 5 years)

Stock Outstanding (£million)	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
1,065	Treas 13¼% 1993	101[illegible]	[illegible]	13.57	5.61
2,100	Treas 8½% 1994	101[illegible]	[illegible]	8.41	5.60
550	Treas 14½% 1994	103[illegible]	[illegible]	13.96	5.57
1,100	Exch 13½% 1994	104[illegible]	[illegible]	12.91	5.58
1,900	Treas 10% 1994	103[illegible]	[illegible]	9.70	5.61
1,240	Exch 12½% 1994	106[illegible]	[illegible]	11.78	5.57
1,900	Treas 9% 1994	103[illegible]	[illegible]	8.68	5.60
2,350	Treas 12% 1995	108[illegible]	[illegible]	11.11	5.66
214	Gas 3% 1990-95	97[illegible]	[illegible]	3.08	4.66
2,500	Exch 10¼% 1995	107[illegible]	[illegible]	9.52	5.74
840	Treas 12¾% 1995	113[illegible]	[illegible]	11.22	5.90
770	Treas 14% 1996	117[illegible]	[illegible]	11.94	5.94
2,150	Treas 15¼% 1996	121[illegible]	[illegible]	12.53	6.10
900	Exch 13¼% 1996	117[illegible]	[illegible]	11.31	6.12
3,400	Conv 10% 1996	110[illegible]	[illegible]	9.05	6.22
1,290	Treas 13¼% 1997	120[illegible]	[illegible]	11.01	6.35
3,700	Exch 10½% 1997	112[illegible]	[illegible]	9.34	6.36
5,550	Treas 8¾% 1997	108[illegible]	[illegible]	8.09	6.35
930	Exch 15% 1997	129[illegible]	[illegible]	11.57	6.60
3,550	Exch 9¾% 1998	111[illegible]	[illegible]	8.72	6.52
3,250	Treas 7¼% 1998	103[illegible]	[illegible]	7.03	6.41
1,200	Treas 6¾% 1995-98	100[illegible]	[illegible]	6.70	6.22
970	Treas 14% 1998-01	127[illegible]	[illegible]	10.94	6.86

MEDIUMS (5 to 15 years)

Stock Outstanding (£million)	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
935	Treas 15½% 1998	136[illegible]	[illegible]	11.33	6.72
3,909	Exch 12% 1998	122	[illegible]	9.84	6.83
1,900	Treas 9½% 1999	112[illegible]	[illegible]	8.46	6.67
3,050	Exch 12¼% 1999	124[illegible]	[illegible]	9.87	6.89
1,252	Treas 10½% 1999	117[illegible]	[illegible]	8.96	6.76
1,395	Conv 10¼% 1999	117[illegible]	[illegible]	8.75	6.78
4,758	Conv 9% 2000	111[illegible]	[illegible]	8.06	6.73
3,171	Treas 13% 2000	131[illegible]	[illegible]	9.88	7.08
4,406	Treas 10% 2001	117[illegible]	[illegible]	8.53	6.95
6,527	Treas 9¾% 2002	117[illegible]	[illegible]	8.31	7.03
4,350	Treas 8% 2003	107[illegible]	[illegible]	7.47	6.96
2,903	Treas 10% 2003	120	[illegible]	8.33	7.14
1,623	Treas 11½% 2001-04	124[illegible]	[illegible]	9.25	7.22
543	Fund 3½% 1999-04	79[illegible]	[illegible]	4.43	6.16
3,412	Conv 9½% 2004	117	[illegible]	8.12	7.23
4,842	Conv 9½% 2005	117[illegible]	[illegible]	8.10	7.25
2,200	Treas 12½% 2003-05	139[illegible]	[illegible]	9.25	7.48
2,000	Treas 8% 2002-06	104[illegible] †	[illegible]	7.64	7.24
3,150	Treas 11¾% 2003-07	129[illegible]	[illegible]	9.14	7.43
5,497	Treas 8½% 2007	110[illegible]	[illegible]	7.70	7.27
1,250	Treas 13½% 2004-08	143[illegible]	[illegible]	9.43	7.49

LONGS (over 15 years)

Stock Outstanding (£million)	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
4,321	Treas 9% 2008	115[illegible] †	[illegible]	7.80	7.28
2,500	Treas 8% 2009	106[illegible] †	[illegible]	7.54	7.30
4,273	Conv 9% 2011	116[illegible]	[illegible]	7.72	7.30
5,150	Treas 9% 2012	117[illegible]	[illegible]	7.69	7.30
1,000	Treas 5½% 2008-12	85[illegible]	[illegible]	6.44	6.87
800	Treas 7¾% 2012-15	104[illegible]	[illegible]	7.43	7.25
4,350	Treas 8% 2013	107 †	[illegible]	7.48	7.31
1,000	Exch 12% 2013-17	146[illegible]	[illegible]	8.19	7.48
6,500	Treas 8¾% 2017	115[illegible]	[illegible]	7.55	7.31

UNDATED

Stock Outstanding (£million)	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
1,900	War Ln 3½%	47[illegible]	[illegible]	7.42	...
475	Treas 2½%	33[illegible] †	[illegible]	7.49	...

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Stock Outstanding (£million)	Stock	Price £	+/-	Int yld %	Grs red yld
500	Treas IL 2% 1994	135[illegible]	[illegible]	...	0.12
1,200	Treas IL 2% 1996	199[illegible]	[illegible]	1.51	2.44
600	Treas IL 4⅝% 1998	110[illegible]	[illegible]	1.88	2.55
1,350	Treas IL 2½% 2001	168[illegible] †	-1	2.66	3.05
1,050	Treas IL 2½% 2003	165[illegible]	[illegible]	2.81	3.13
600	Treas IL 4⅜% 2004	112[illegible] †	[illegible]	2.87	3.18
1,550	Treas IL 2% 2006	174[illegible]	[illegible]	2.87	3.11
1,550	Treas IL 2½% 2009	139[illegible]	[illegible]	2.99	3.20
1,550	Treas IL 2½% 2011	166[illegible]	[illegible]	3.01	3.21
2,150	Treas IL 2½% 2013	137[illegible]	[illegible]	3.04	3.22
2,400	Treas IL 2½% 2016	148[illegible]	[illegible]	3.05	3.22
2,400	Treas IL 2½% 2020	143[illegible]	[illegible]	3.09	3.24
1,700	Treas IL 2½% 2024	120[illegible]	[illegible]	3.07	3.22

Source: Finstat

▲ USM. # Price at suspension. † Ex dividend. ‡ Ex scrip. ↑ Ex rights issue. ↓ Ex all. ‡ Ex capital distribution. ∞ Figures or report awaited. ... No significant data.

PLO to ask World Bank to double its loan pledge

BY JANET BUSH, ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

THE World Bank, already facing increasing demands for finance from countries switching over to market economies, will be asked at its annual meeting in Washington next week to at least double its pledge of funds to help develop the West Bank and Gaza strip.

Officials from the Palestine Liberation Organisation said they will ask the World Bank to improve on its proposal of $3 billion over ten years. Samir Abdullah, head of the Palestinian team that helped compile the World Bank proposal, said: "It's too small a figure for the whole ten years ... we believe the Palestinian authority will need investments of not less than $2 billion annually in the first two years to rebuild the economy."

The question of a financing package to support the peace deal between the PLO and Israel will be one of the more important issues at the World Bank and International Monetary Fund meetings over the next fortnight.

Representatives of Israel, some Arab states and the PLO will meet in Washington to discuss the plan. One hurdle which has to be negotiated is the Fund's rule that it cannot lend to non-members. An IMF official said that the fund can only lend to nations once they have been recognised as countries by the United Nations.

The demands of the PLO come on top of increasing commitments to several republics from the former Soviet Union. The World Bank says in it annual report, published today, that lending to countries in Europe and Central Asia during its fiscal year 1993 totalled $3.8 billion and included initial loans to Albania, Armenia, Lithuania and Russia among others.

Total lending in fiscal 1993 was $23.7 billion. Assistance to the poorest countries totalled $9.96 billion, somewhat down on the $10.76 billion disbursed in fiscal 1992.

One of the important items on the agenda at next week's meetings will be a successor to the enhanced structural adjustment facility (Esaf), a financing vehicle for the world's poorest countries.

Officials said last week that the IMF had scaled down the amount needed for this facility from $3.5 billion to about $2.25 billion but said that, so far, "the amounts pledged have fallen far short of that". It is understood that the US and Britain have both indicated that they do not have the budgetary scope to contribute to a new ESAF commitment.

What else is new?, page 38

Report accuses Allied Group chief

FROM LULU YU IN HONG KONG

SHARES of Lee Ming-tee's Allied Group are expected to take a battering today unless the Hong Kong Stock Exchange decides to suspend trading.

A report released by the government on Saturday alleged that Mr Lee had "disguised" share transactions at the expense of minority shareholders.

Hamish Macleod, the financial secretary, said the report revealed standards of commercial and corporate conduct that gave him "serious cause for concern". But he refused to say what legal or disciplinary action would be taken.

The investigation involves 100 subsidiaries and associates of the Allied Group and 22 related companies. Hong Kong's Commercial Crime Bureau last week raided about 100 of the group's offices, seizing thousands of documents. The independent inspector's report was issued in abridged form on Saturday. It cost HK$46 million (£3.9 million) and took more than 34,200 man hours to prepare.

The report alleges that Mr Lee and two close associates "disguised" share transactions, which helped him consolidate his control over the group. During new share placements, for example, shares that were supposed to be placed with independent parties were acquired by firms controlled by Mr Lee, it claims.

Brian O'Connor, the group chief executive who joined the company after the investigations began, said: "This is a case of justification not justice, in which government is clearly attempting to present the Allied Group in as bad a light as possible and place it in a most disadvantageous position."

REPORTING THIS WEEK

Guinness interims likely to confirm profit warning

TONY Greener, the chairman of Guinness, is likely to accompany a slight fall in first-half profits on Thursday with a relatively cautious statement, but he should sound a confident note on longer-term prospects.

In May, Guinness issued a profit warning because of tough markets, particularly in continental Europe, and similar caution was expressed by LVMH Moët Hennessy Louis Vuitton, its French partner. Geof Collyer, at NatWest Securities, has pencilled in lower interim pre-tax profits of £337 million (£353 million). This is at the top end of market forecasts, which range from £320 million to £340 million.

Mr Collyer said the first half compared with a favourable first half of 1992, while whisky destocking in Japan was continuing and currency benefits had not fed through because of hedging. Scotch whisky accounts for about 52 per cent of the group's operating profits.

LVMH, which has a 24 per cent cross-shareholding in Guinness, warned in July that its first-half profits would be down 25 per cent, largely because of lower champagne sales.

NatWest expects earnings of 12p (12.6p) a share, with an interim dividend of 3.68p (3.35p) predicted.

Analysts have been cautious about drinks shares ahead of the American healthcare reform package due on Wednesday, as President Clinton may opt for higher alcohol taxes to help pay for the health reforms.



There will be little cause for Tony Greener, Guinness chairman, to celebrate at half-time

TODAY

Volatility and higher volumes in the currency and interest rate markets should boost full year profits at **MAI**, Lord Hollick's media and financial services group. BZW forecasts final pre-tax profits of £78.2 million (£71.2 million). Market forecasts range from £76 million to £81 million.

Morgan Crucible, the industrial materials group, is expected to turn in first-half profits of £30 million (£31 million), according to NatWest Securities. Market forecasts range from £30 million to £32.5 million.

Bryant Group, the housebuilder, is forecast to report final pre-tax profits of £18 million (£20.3 million), according to UBS. Market expectations range from £16.5 million to £18.5 million. Housing is doing much better, but the outlook for contracting and property remains gloomy.

Interims: Asda Property, Bemrose, W Canning, Dinkie Heel, Edinburgh Fund Managers, Hong Kong Land Holdings, Meggitt, Morgan Crucible, Refuge, Sentry Farming, Vivat.
Finals: Bryant, Close Brothers, Community Hospitals, Elswick, Koree-Europe Fund, MAI, Trafford Park Estates.

Economic statistics: Major British banking groups' monthly statements (August); building societies' monthly figures (August); provisional estimates of monetary aggregates (August).

TOMORROW

An improvement in margins and new space performance should help **Tesco** to turn in first-half pre-tax profits of £280 million (£251.8 million), according to Zak Keshavjee, at Williams de Broë. Market forecasts range from £268 million to £280 million.

A good performance from distribution should help **Hays**, the business services group, to report final pre-tax profits of £66.5 million (£57.4 million), Kleinwort Benson says. Market forecasts range from £65 million to £68 million.

Interims: Brake Brothers, BSG International, Bodycote International, Bridon Estate, CI, Comac, CrestaCare, Glasgow Income Trust (3I), Global, Henderson Highland Trust, Herring Baker Harris, Jardine Matheson, John Lusty, Maybom, MTL Instruments, Schroder Korea Fund, Tesco, Wolstenholme Rink, Yule Catto.
Finals: Frogmore Estates, Hays, Intereurope Technology Services, A&J Muckfow.
Economic statistics: UK balance of payments (Q2); UK national accounts (Q2); capital expenditure and stockbuilding (Q2, revised); cross-border acquisitions and mergers (Q2).

WEDNESDAY

Barratt Developments, the builder and property developer, is expected to report a rise in final pre-tax profits to £15.4 million (£11.3 million), according to Panmure Gordon. Market forecasts range from £12 million to £22 million.

Julie Ramshaw, at Morgan Stanley, forecasts that **Next**, the fashion retailer, will report a rise in first-half pre-tax profits to £17.8 million (£8.3 million). Market forecasts range from £17 million to £20 million.
Interims: Dolphin Packaging, Jardine Strategic, More O'Ferrall, Ned, Spirax-Sarco Engineering, Tilbury Douglas, Tibbett & Britten, UniChem.
Finals: Alumasc, Barratt Developments, Pizza Express.
Economic statistics: Balance of trade with countries outside the EC (August); institutional investment (Q2); new construction orders (July); international banking statistics (Q2).

THURSDAY

UBS expects **United Newspapers**, which owns the *Daily Express* and *Sunday Express*, to turn in interim pre-tax profits of £49 million (£46.5 million), though the first-half figures are unlikely to show any evidence of advertising recovery.

William Morrison Supermarkets is expected to report interim pre-tax profits of £43.7 million (£36.2 million), according to NatWest Securities. Forecasts range from £40 million to £43 million.
Interims: Anglia Television, Antofagasta, Appleyard, Geest, Laura Ashley, Bilston & Battersea Enamels, Dagenham Motors, Donelon Tyson, Erith, Fired Earth Tiles, Guinness, Halifax Building Society, Hampden, Norman Hay, Highcroft Investment Trust, Klinta Kellas, Quality Software, Secure Trust, Travis Perkins, TT Group, United Energy, United Newspapers, William Morrison Supermarkets, Wembley.
Finals: Ernest Green & Partners, Murray Ventures, Ricardo, SWP, Throgmorton Dual Trust.
Economic statistics: Engineering sales and orders at current and constant prices (July); provisional figures for vehicle production (August).

FRIDAY

Howard Proctor, at Panmure Gordon, expects **Hepworth**, the building materials group, to report interim pre-tax profits of £30 million (£32.8 million).
Interims: Breedon, Foreign & Colonial Pacific Investment Trust, Fortnum & Mason, Garton Engineering, Hepworth, Joseph Holt, Hopkinsons, Robert H Lowe, John Mowlem, Newarthill, Servomex.
Finals: Bermuda International Bond Fund (D), ECU Trust, Goodwin, Waterman Partnership.
Economic statistics: CBI monthly trends enquiry (September).

PHILIP PANGALOS

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Two more buyouts seek stock market listing

TWO more buyouts are joining the revived flood of companies seeking a stock market quote. Crest Packaging hopes for a listing late next month via a placing by S G Warburg likely to capitalise the specialist packaging group at about £50 million. Crest, which was a buyout from Bowater in 1985, has targeted the top end of the market and enjoys relatively high margins in flexible packaging, which accounts for about 70 per cent of group profits, as well as being a low cost producer of folding cartons. Customers in the food, drink and medical industries include Nestlé, Unilever, United Biscuits and Cadbury Schweppes. Profits advanced to £4.9 million in 1992-3, on annual sales of £41.8 million.

Hozelock Group, a specialist garden equipment maker that made operating profits of £3.8 million on £27 million turnover in the year ended September 1992, is preparing for a flotation in November, by means of a placing and intermediaries offer, via adviser BZW and James Capel, the broker, that will capitalise the company at about £50 million. Hozelock was bought from Ropner in 1990 for £24 million by a consortium of management and institutional investors.

Court Cavendish grows

COURT Cavendish, the care homes group that came to the market in July, has recruited Sir Donald Acheson, the former government chief medical officer, as a non-executive director. The group is also expanding with the purchase of three more homes, with a total capacity of about 170 beds, for a total of £4.12 million. The new homes, located at Chelmsford in Essex, Bexhill-on-Sea in East Sussex and near Dartford in Kent, will bring its total to 26 and its capacity to 1,300 beds.

Battle for Paramount

A BATTLE looms over the future of Paramount, the entertainment group born of Gulf & Western, after the board of Ted Turner's Turner Broadcasting System gave him permission to make an alternative offer to Paramount's $8 billion agreed merger with Viacom, known for its MTV channel. QVC Network, the home shopping channel, is also a mooted counter bidder. Viacom aims to keep Paramount intact but others might sell its publishing business.

Davy John chosen

DAVY John Brown Pty, part of Trafalgar House's engineering division, has won a turnkey contract from BP in Australia worth A$200 million (£85.5 million). The contract is for a continuous catalyst refrigeration reformer with a capacity of 22,000 barrels per day at the Kwinana Refinery in Perth. The project, awarded after the implementation of other work by Davy John Brown this year, has an investment value of A$200 million. Completion is set for October 1995.

China's foreign mission

CHINA is considering new ways to attract foreign investment to bail out failing state enterprises, including selling them outright to overseas interests, the official *China Daily* said. A foreign trade ministry official was quoted as saying that one possibility was for loss-making state enterprises to "sell their assets outright to foreign companies to form wholly owned foreign ones". Current practice allows foreign firms only to enter joint ventures or buy minority stakes.

Tax-free book exports

The Bournemouth English Book Centre, the UK's biggest exporter of English language teaching books, and based in Poole, Dorset, is to make use of Britain's zero VAT rate on books to undercut continental suppliers through a new direct sales drive. Continental VAT rates on books range from 3 per cent in Luxembourg to 25 per cent in Denmark. BEBC says direct sales from Britain avoid local mark-ups as well as VAT and it is offering free delivery on orders for more than 30 books.

Warehouse club forecast

THERE could eventually be 50 American-style warehouse clubs in Britain, each generating sales of about £65 million, according to a report by Verdict, the retail analyst. But this would only represent 2 per cent of retail sales, says Verdict, and would be only a modest threat to superstores, which may carry 15,000 lines, compared with a typical discount club warehouse's 1,600. The first such warehouse in Britain is due to open in Thurrock, Essex, at the end of November.

Corporate cash trusts for Lloyd's

BY GRAHAM SEARJEANT

THREE investment trusts are to be launched to provide corporate underwriting capital, allowed under new rules, for Lloyd's of London.

JO Hambro has joined UBS, the stockbroking firm, Grimston Investments, a Lloyd's broker and trader, and Conning & Co, an American insurance investment specialist, to launch HCG Lloyd's Investment Trust, which aims to raise up to £100 million to back £150 million of Lloyd's underwriting.

Premium Trust, to be launched by Noble & Company, an Edinburgh issuing house, hopes to raise up to £30 million via Greig Middleton, a stockbroker. The trust would be managed by Martin Currie, the fund manager, and advised by Wellington Members Agency.

Fenchurch Insurance hopes to raise about £30 million in corporate capital via an investment trust.

Volvo gives bank venture a lift

BY COLIN NARBROUGH

MAIZELS, Westerberg & Co, a new investment banking firm that is opening in London and aims to develop the Nordic market, has got off to a flying start, as adviser to Volvo, the Swedish cars to food group, on the demerger of Procordia.

The Volvo/Procordia deal, one of the largest transactions of its kind in Sweden, should lift MW & Co from a standing start into the big league of European merger and acquisition advisers this year. Spencer Maizels, chairman and chief executive of MW & Co, is a former chairman of Enskilda Securities, an arm of the Enskilda bank group.

The new firm operates from offices at Moorgate and in Stockholm. It comprises only six partners, including Jonas De Verdier and Mark Florman, who is managing director. Sten Westerberg, who also bears the title chairman, is a former undersecretary of state at the Swedish finance ministry and has strong connections with the government.



Nordic success for De Verdier, left, Maizels and Florman

WORD-WATCHING

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GRIZZLED SKIPPER

(c) A butterfly of the family *Hesperiidae*, used with various distinguishing epithets, as *grizzled, chequered, clouded, dingy, Lulworth, pearl skipper*, etc. The grizzled skipper is most common in Spain, Portugal and southern France.

HYDE PARKER

(a) Of the large Royal Naval Parker crew, Admiral Sir Hyde Parker was not the most distinguished. He was in nominal command when Nelson sank the Danish fleet off Copenhagen. Vice-admiral Nelson was leading a squadron through shoal waters under heavy fire from Danish shore batteries, when signals went up from Sir Hyde Parker ordering him to withdraw. On the quarter deck of HMS Elephant, Nelson said, "Damn me if I do!" and placed his telescope to his blind eye.

BLACK DICK

(c) The nickname for Admiral Lord Howe, who won a famous victory at the battle of "The Glorious First of June", 1794, so called because there was no land in sight.

KHAKI CAMPBELL

(b) A domesticated duck, so called because of its colour and the eponym of its first breeder. The Khaki Campbell is a small farmyard duck, a good layer, though, like all ducks, a bad mother.

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE

Black breaks through with 1 ... Rxf1! 2 Kxf1 Qb1+ 3 Kg2 (3 Ke2 Qe1 mate)
3 ... Qg1+ 4 Kh3 Qh1+ 5 Kg3 Qh2 mate.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

UN SANCTIONS: IRAQ
DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY
NOTICE TO EXPORTERS
REVOCATION OF CERTAIN UK EXPORT AND SUPPLY LICENCES ISSUED FOR IRAQ

As from 00:01 on 28 September 1993 all individual UK Export Licences for Iraq and individual "supply" licences i.e. licences for acts calculated to promote supply from a third country to Iraq (other than communications/negotiations licences) will no longer be valid.

Companies or individuals currently holding such Licences for Iraq who require replacement licences should contact: Department of Trade and Industry, Sanctions Unit, 66-74 Victoria Street, London SW1E 6SW. Telephone: 071 215 8102 or 8094 or 8476. Fax: 071 215 8386

Exporters who have exported from the UK, goods destined for Iraq prior to 28 September which are still going to be in transit to Iraq on 28 September should contact the Department's Sanctions Unit above as soon as possible.

Exporters who wish to export goods to Iraq, or to arrange for the supply of goods to Iraq, on or after 28 September, should apply for a new licence as soon as possible.

Individual letters will be sent to persons to whom relevant licences have been issued.

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THE ROYAL LONDON SOCIETY FOR THE BLIND
The Annual General Meeting of the Society will be held at the offices of The Law Society, Law Society House, 60/62 Chancery Lane, London WC2 on Tuesday 5 October 1993 at 3.30pm.

LEGAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

H.M. LAND REGISTRY
LOST CERTIFICATES
It is proposed to issue a new Certificate to replace the one described below that is stated to have been lost or destroyed. Any one possessing the missing certificate or objecting to the issue of a new one should at once notify The Tunbridge Wells District Land Registry of Tunbridge Wells Kent TN2 5AQ Land Certificate Freehold Title No K 113013 18 Reading Road Dover Kent. Proprietor Enid Maurice Sedgwick address unknown possibly in the Preston Area of Lancashire.

LEGAL NOTICES

No. 007647 of 1993
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
CHANCERY DIVISION
Re: SIDLAW FLEXIBLE PACKAGING LIMITED
- and -
Re: THE COMPANIES ACT 1985
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated the 15th September 1993 confirming the cancellation of the Share Premium Account of the Company amounting to £35,000,000 was registered by the Registrar of Companies on 16th September 1993.
DATED 20th September 1993
LINKLATERS & PAINES
(MAS/TDAP)
Solicitors to the Company

No. 007648 of 1993
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
CHANCERY DIVISION
Re: SIDLAW GROUP plc
- and -
Re: THE COMPANIES ACT 1985
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated the 15th September 1993 confirming the reduction of the Share Premium Account of the above-named Company from £50,917,260 to £14,417,260 was registered by the Registrar of Companies on 16th September 1993.
DATED 20th September 1993
LINKLATERS & PAINES
(MAS/TDAP)
Solicitors to the Company

LEGAL NOTICES

TYROLESE (226) Ltd (Formerly GREAT LENGTHS (UK) LTD
Notice is hereby given, pursuant to section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a meeting of the Creditors of the above-named Company will be held at 19A Cavendish Square, London W1M 9AB on Friday the 15th day of October 1993 at 3.30 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of having a full statement of the position of the Company's affairs together with a List of the Creditors of the Company and the estimated amount of their claims, laid before them, and for the purpose, if thought fit, of nominating a Liquidator and of appointing a Liquidation Committee.
Giles Heathcote Whittome of 19a Cavendish Square, London W1M 9AB is a person qualified to act as an Insolvency practitioner in relation to the Company who will during the period before the day of the Meeting, furnish creditors free of charge with such information concerning the Company's affairs as they may reasonably require.
OR on the two business days falling next before the day on which the Meeting is to be held, a list of the names and addresses of the Company's creditors will be available for inspection free of charge at 19A Cavendish Square, London W1M 9AB being a place in the relevant locality.
Notice is also given that, for the purpose of voting, Secured Creditors must (unless they surrender their security), lodge at the Registered Office of the Company at 19A Cavendish Square, London W1M 9AB before the Meeting a Statement giving particulars of their security, the date when it was given, and the value at which it is assessed.
Dated this 9th day of September 1993.
By Order of the Board of Directors.
D.A. GOLD, DIRECTOR.

NOTICE TO THE CREDITORS OF ATLANTIC INTERNATIONAL BROKERAGE LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION)
The liquidators of Atlantic International Brokerage Limited give notice under the provisions of Rule 11.2 of the Insolvency Rules 1986 that they intend to make an interim dividend to the unsecured creditors of the company within 4 months of the date of this notice.
Creditors who have not already done so, must send details in writing of any claim against the company to the liquidators John Francis Soden and Jonathan Guy Anthony Phillips of Price Waterhouse at Number 1 London Bridge, London, SE1 9QL by 1 November 1993 which is the last day for submitting claims. A creditor who does not make a claim by that date will not be included in the proposed interim distribution.
Date 16 September 1993
JGA Phillips, Joint Liquidator

Wholecharm Limited
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a meeting of the creditors of the above named company will be held at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co, situated at P O Box 563, 30 Eastbourne Terrace, (2nd Floor), London, W2 6LF, on 30th September 1993 at 12.00 for the purposes provided in Section 98 of the said.
A list of names and addresses of the above company's creditors can be inspected at the offices of Leonard Curtis & Co, PO Box 563, 30 Eastbourne Terrace, (2nd Floor), London, W2 6LF, between the hours of 10.00am and 4.00pm on the two business days preceding the Meeting of Creditors.
DATED 16th September 1993
D.P. Meadam, Director.

THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
Impressive Fashions Ltd
Topspot Fashions Ltd
Smart Fashions Ltd
Advanced Fashions Ltd
Sleeve Fashions Ltd
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that Meetings of the Creditors of the above-named Companies will be held at Hendon Hall Hotel, Ashley Lane, Hendon, London NW4 on Tuesday the 21st day of September, 1993 at 3.00pm, 3.15pm, 3.30pm, 3.45pm and 4.00pm respectively for the purposes mentioned in Sections 99, 100 and 101 of the said Act.
Any information required by the Creditors concerning the Companies' affairs may be obtained from Mr B Hoffman of Eastmans, situated at Dr House, 1238 High Road, Whetstone, London N20 being a person qualified to act as an Insolvency Practitioner.
DATED this 7th day of September 1993.
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
K. Hall, DIRECTOR.

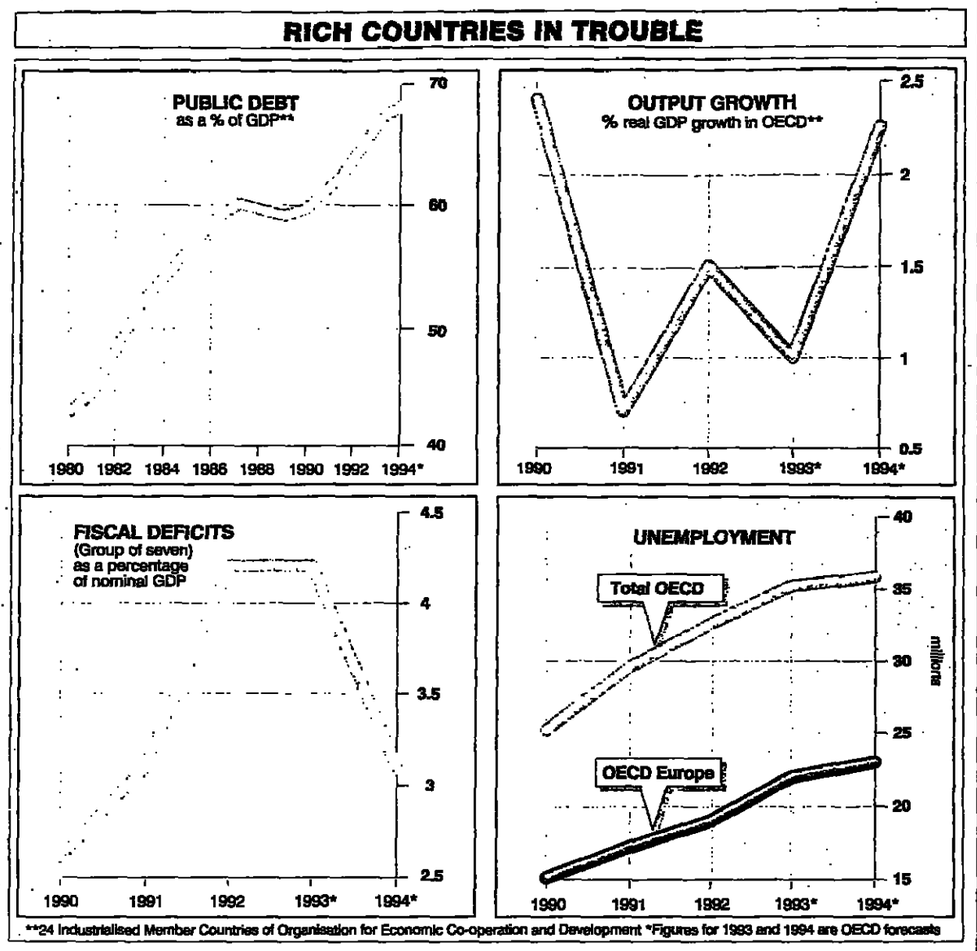
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SKYSURE LIMITED
(In Liquidation)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Maurice Raymond Dorrington of Poppleton & Appleby, 4 Charterhouse Square, London, EC1M 6EN, was appointed Liquidator of the said Company by the members and creditors on 13th September 1993.
Dated this 14th day of September 1993.
M.R. Dorrington, Liquidator.

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The IMF will call for world growth ... so what else is new?

Janet Bush argues that this week's meeting of the International Monetary Fund will underline how little influence it has over economic policy makers



The items at the top of the agenda for this week's annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund attest to the very limited ability of that institution to influence economic policies and bring recalcitrant governments into line.

Every meeting of the IMF, and its accompanying conventions of Group of Seven, G10, G24 *and the rest*, delivers a pledge on co-ordinating economic policies to promote growth with low inflation and proclaims a new era of international co-operation on the great issues of the day. At the spring meeting of the IMF, economic leaders promised to work together to promote *growth in the world economy*. But, as its latest economic outlook this week will show, the global economy has *actually deteriorated since April*.

As one European observer put it last week: "We will take stock of what has been achieved since the spring meeting and the answer will be: not a whole *lot*." The IMF is believed to have revised downwards its 2.2 per cent April forecast for growth in the world economy and how to stimulate activity is again top of the agenda.

This is closely followed by the Gatt trade talks, another example of a huge economic issue that endless meetings *and summits* have failed properly to address. With the December 15 deadline for the conclusion of the Uruguay Round looming, the trade issue looks as difficult as ever, despite the euphoria that greeted the partial tariff cutting agreement at the Tokyo summit.

Growth and Gatt are inextricably *linked. The industrialised world* is stagnating, with the usual engines for growth inexplicably stuttering despite very low interest rates, and unable, with large budget deficits, to stimulate activity through fiscal policy. A comprehensive free trade agreement is being clutched at ever more desperately *as the source of new momentum*.

So significant is the question of Gatt that Peter Sutherland, its new director general, has been invited to address the IMF's policy-making interim committee when it meets on Sunday. The irony is that the invitation was issued by Michel Camdessus, the Fund's *managing director and a prominent member* of the French political elite.

M Camdessus stands in opposition to current French policy on both trade and growth. He has made it clear that he does not approve of French demands, under pressure from vociferous farmers, that the Blair House deal between America and the EC on agricultural trade be modified. He told *Le Figaro*: "France can certainly oppose an agreement and does so at the expense of extremely serious damage to *its image and international credit*. But that is not in its interests."

The tone of the IMF meeting will partly be determined by the outcome of today's gathering in Brussels of EC foreign and agriculture ministers to listen to France's arguments on Blair House, widely regarded as crucial to *any Gatt deal in December*.

M Camdessus also has doubts, according to sources involved in private discussions that precede the IMF meeting, about France's refusal so far to take advantage of the new monetary flexibility at its disposal since the decision to abandon narrow fluctuation bands in the exchange-rate mechanism seven weeks ago.

Advised by his research department a long time ago that the ERM was deflationary and would throw Europe *into recession*, M Camdessus *is now* believed to be veering towards the American view that European countries, France included, must cut interest rates aggressively. America is likely to make this case strongly at the G7 meeting in Washington on Saturday and at the interim committee, the first *big international financial gatherings* since the ERM was effectively suspended.

Europe is a particular recession blackspot. The IMF, which publishes its latest world economic outlook on Thursday, is believed to have become even more pessimistic about prospects *for the European economies, except for* a slight improvement in Germany, and is likely to predict overall recession this year. Its last report in April predicted that Europe would show growth this year of 0.1 per cent.

The other focus for US pressure will be Japan, where prospects are also believed *to have been downgraded by* the IMF, which is now expecting *something near to zero growth this* year. It has become traditional for Japan to produce measures to promote growth just before big international meetings to deflect criticism of its trade surplus. Last week, it unveiled another emergency economic stimulation package, this time worth about £37 billion. In addition, *the markets were awash* with speculation on Friday that Japan will cut its official discount rate before the IMF meeting.

Despite such pre-emptive strikes, partly designed to fend off US demands for explicit targets for Japan's current account surplus and import penetration, *the response from Japan's* international partners has been only lukewarm. One EC official said: "People are getting ticked off with Japan producing a rabbit out of the hat *three days before an IMF meeting*."

The US will also come under scrutiny this week, given the deep sense of unease about the underperformance of the industrialised economies. The US recovery has been faltering and patchy *and, intriguingly, EC officials have* detected a change in tone recently on the question of monetary policy. One said that the message coming out of the US Federal Reserve only a month ago was that the next move in interest rates would definitely be upwards. Now, he added, the position seems to have *shifted and the Fed appears to be more* willing to contemplate another cut in *interest rates if the economy does not* improve. Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor, and Eddie George, Governor of the Bank of England, will find life far more comfortable than their predecessors who flew to Washington for last year's meeting in the week of sterling's Black Wednesday. Bolstered by the unaccustomed superiority of being an isolated example of growth in the industrialised world, Britain may be able to press its agenda, relatively free of peer pressure. Mr Clarke will be emphasising two key *themes*: the importance of concluding a Gatt agreement and tackling structural impediments to growth, particularly *labour market inflexibilities and highly* expensive social security and health systems.

This latter theme is central to Mr Clarke's contribution to the current *soul searching in Europe about com*petitiveness but is likely to find much resonance on this week's international stage, with America about to unveil its proposals on the reform of healthcare and President Clinton working towards a special summit for jobs.

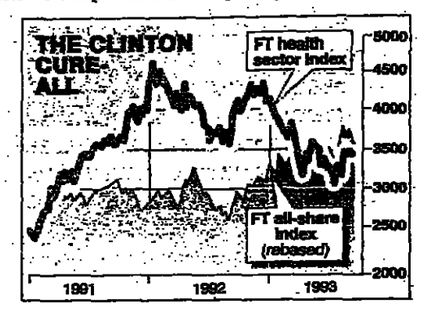
Structural reform is now central to *long-term thinking in the industrial*ised world, but it is highly unlikely that this week's meetings will come up with anything more than worthy statements on the subject. In the short-term, the test will be whether the IMF can persuade policymakers to make good their pledge in the spring to produce an *economic recovery worth the name*.

TEMPUS

Taking the medicine

AFTER *months* of waiting, drug companies will be put out of their misery on Wednesday when Bill and Hillary Clinton deliver their much-delayed healthcare reform package. Shares in pharmaceutical companies have performed abysmally all year for fear that the reforms would include price controls on drugs, which would destroy margins in the industry's largest market.

The p/e ratio of the drug sector is now marginally lower than the FTA industrial index, a far cry from the following it had two years ago when it traded at a 70 per cent premium. Share prices have improved a little lately, following President Clinton's *unequivocal statement* that the reform package will not include any formal price controls. If he keeps his word on Wednesday, prices may recover further. But widely circulated drafts suggest that, although the administration has stopped short of ordering overt control on pharmaceutical prices, it is planning other measures that will depress drug company profits. The most dramatic is a proposal to include outpatient pharmaceuticals under Medicare, *the subsidised* healthcare scheme for the elderly. This would force drug companies to offer Medicare the same 15 per cent discount as it currently gives to Medicaid, the sister scheme that caters for the poor. The elderly account for a third of America's drug consumption, so the shift would cause a drop in margins.



*The other factor that will hit the pharma*ceutical companies is President Clinton's backing for the health maintenance organisations (HMOs), which negotiate cost-effective healthcare for groups of employees. These now cover 40 per cent of employees but that could double by the end of the decade. The *HMOs should bring a new edge of competition* into the pharmaceuticals market because they will negotiate between different drug companies with similar products, and force specialists to use the most cost-effective.

If these measures pass through Congress, they will inevitably slow the growth of the drug companies. America accounts for an estimated 45 per cent of the profits of the British drug companies because of earlier pricing freedom. Since this will come increasingly under pressure, Salomon Brothers is forecasting single digit earnings growth for most of the main companies from 1995, which suggests that much of the downrating the sector has suffered was justified.

The Clinton initiative is often regarded in isolation but it is part of a worldwide trend to limit the cost of healthcare. Margins on ethical drugs in the eighties were astonishing, enabling Glaxo to build a £1.8 billion cash reserve despite the hundreds of millions it *spends each year on research. Such gross* margins could not be sustained forever; now a combination of political expediency and tightening competition is *demolishing them*.

Companies such as SmithKline Beecham and Wellcome still have high quality earnings from proprietary products. But given the reduced oportunities for earnings growth, the *sector is unlikely to return to anything more* than a modest premium to the market, however relieved investors feel after the American healthcare reforms are unveiled.

Copper

THE crash in the copper price on Friday was the final act in a drama that bore the hallmarks of a good old-fashioned attempt to rig the *market in the metal*. The market began to behave oddly in July, when prices in the *cash market* rose above futures, a rare phenomenon known as backwardation. This was caused by an unexpected shortage of metal to *settle futures contracts*. Backwardation forces dealers who are short of the metal to pay to borrow it so that they can settle contracts, the reverse of the usual practice.

The shortage worsened throughout the summer, *which was particularly odd* since worldwide industrial demand for the metal is weak and stocks in the London Metal Exchange's warehouses are at a 15-year high of almost 550,000 tonnes. Clearly someone was hoarding *the metal to keep the* market short, and making a profit on the spot market.

The LME board saw what was happening and, after giving two warnings to the hoarders to release their metal stocks, it acted decisively. Two weeks ago it limited the premium of the cash market to the one day market to $5, putting a cap on the profits of the copper lenders.

The action pricked the speculative bubble and the copper price began to slide. On Friday, the cash market crashed $120 in a day to around $1,750 a tonne in London, down from more than $2,000 the week before, and then hit a six-year low in New York. The backwardation had finally vanished.

There are plenty of stories about who managed to corner *the market so effectively*. Most blame the Chinese authorities, and certainly they recently built up large stocks of copper and were reported as heavy sellers last Friday. True or not, the Chinese are becoming the bogymen of the *commodities markets in the* same way the Russians were always blamed a decade ago. If the Chinese did play a leading role in the affair, it is interesting to note how well they have used the workings of international markets, and *that it was only the inter*vention of a central authority that returned the copper trade to sanity.

Gilt auction

NEXT week's gilt-edged auction, the first since the summer break, could well set the tone in the market for the rest of the autumn. The Bank of England announced on Friday that the issue, as expected, would have a maturity of between nine and 13 years since the Bank has forsaken longer-dated issues and prefers more standard maturities to attract overseas investors. The details will be announced tomorrow.

The Bank of England could well take this opportunity to create a new benchmark issue. A maturity of 2004 with a yield of around 7 per cent would provide the market with a useful ten year benchmark next year and the Bank could build on it in subsequent tap issues.

The main feature the market will look for is the issue's size. The Bank needs to raise an estimated £17 billion more before April to fund the deficit, or less than £2.5 billion a month. Recent auctions have been at least £3 billion, but if the Bank continues with issues *this size it will have completed its funding by mid*-February, and could leave the market clamouring for stock. If the coming auction is smaller, reflecting the Bank's funding successes, yields may fall further still as investors appreciate how much of the paper overhanging the market at the start of the year is now in safe hands.

GILT-EDGED

Policy dilemma calls for caution

How much of the fall in nominal bond yields *worldwide this year* is due to reduced real yields and how much to changes in inflation expectations? Judging by UK and Australian index-linked markets, almost two-thirds of the nominal yield fall can be attributed to a real yield reduction.

For real yields to fall, the supply of savings must rise *relative to the demand for* finance. It is usually difficult to separate these two factors, but the evidence suggests two important developments.

The first is that budget deficits may not be as large as was first feared. Both in the UK and in the US, the deficit *appears to be coming in* slightly below forecasts. More importantly, the US borrowing requirement is falling faster than the deficit, as the need to bail out savings and loans associations falls away.

The second development is again global. The flow of funds in the corporate sector is improving fast. The US corporate financial surplus is heading into record territory; in the UK, this should be the first year since 1986 that the industrial and commercial sector records a surplus; and even in Japan, which recorded a corporate flow of funds deficit equivalent to 9 per cent of *GDP two years ago, this is* now down to 6 per cent and still falling.

The response to intense competition worldwide and fears that external risk capital would be rationed by markets, has led to aggressive cost cutting. The effect has been to increase savings rate of the corporate sector but at the *expense of an increase in* unemployment.

Higher corporate savings have therefore offset high budget deficits and reduced real yields to almost 3 per cent, comparable with the trend growth of GDP for the G7 countries. Since this trend seems unlikely to be reversed quickly, the implication is that *real yields may have further to* fall. Indeed, this may be a necessary development to produce a long-term cost of capital low enough to stimulate investment. However, the degree of any boost to employment seems likely to be *too little for many governments* to accept.

Consequently, markets will become particularly sensitive to signs of governments' panicking. Hopes that a successful Gatt round will provide a third lever for governments to pull (the fiscal lever is stuck, while the interest rate lever is already pulled down with little effect) seem too optimistic.

A "breakthrough" can be achieved, *despite the resis*tance of French farmers, but will it work? Will it be as stimulatory as some claim? The doubts centre on whether *current economic trade theory* is appropriate for a world dominated by companies pursuing globalisation policies aimed at moving production nearer to the markets for their *products. Ironically, the threat* of greater protectionism may have been a stimulus to achieve this goal, witness overseas investment in Europe before the 1992 single market deadline. Nowadays, the emphasis appears to be on the *growing markets of Asia and* Latin America at the expense of the G7 nations. Lower tariffs between big industrial nations may come too late to prevent resources shifting to these other regions.

The greater probability, therefore, is that monetary policy will be eased *even more to help stimulate* growth. Continental Europe and Japan still stand out as *having yield curves inappro*priate for their debt ratios. The UK, along with most "Anglo" economies, has a yield structure that appears about right for the level of our debts.

For us, it is less a question of whether UK rates need be *reduced further, than one of* whether a rise could be contemplated at all. The debt overhang and fragility of economic growth within the G7 argues for maintaining stimulative monetary policies. With underlying inflation rising towards the upper limit of the government's preferred range over the next year, it therefore seems that an awkward political dilemma will arise.

How can it maintain its anti-inflation credentials and promote financial market confidence? This will be difficult. Time to take refuge in index-linked stock.

MICHAEL HUGHES
BZW

CHARITY COMMISSION

Charities — Trust Funds administered in connection with The Geological Society of London.

The Commissioners propose to make a Scheme for these charities.

A copy of the draft Scheme can be seen at the Geological Society of London, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1V 0JU, or obtained by sending a stamped addressed envelope to St Alban's House, 57/60 Haymarket, London SW1V 4QX quoting reference PC-210161A/2-CD (LDN2). Comments or representations can be made within one month from today.

THE TIMES CITY DIARY

Bannister slides off

THE day after Rudolf Mueller, chairman and chief executive of UBS, threw open the doors of his Liverpool Street headquarters for a lavish — *and long overdue* — cocktail party, the firm lost one of its senior players to neighbouring Hoare Govett. Nick Bannister, managing director and head of equity sales, has quit to join Nick Whitney's team in what is being described as "a very senior management" appointment. Whitney and Bannister *are old Rowe & Pitman hands*, having worked together there during the eighties. "We wish him all the best," says Hector Sants, overall head of equities at UBS. Other members of the equity sales team will fill the gap. Bannister, still just 34 despite his meteoric rise, spent eight years at Rowe & Pitman before joining UBS as head of *international sales, a role that* saw him spend time in New York and Boston. Elsewhere, more aggressive recruitment by Smith New Court, which has signed Piers Butler as French analyst. Butler has been running the Baring Securities French desk in London, and joins on November 1.

Much travelled

VISITORS to Robert Fleming's offices in Copthall Avenue have been slightly surprised to find a battered old Chinese rickshaw standing in the *merchant bank's marble* lobby. This is not, it seems, an attempt to cut down on taxi bills, but part of a promotion for a new £50 million Chinese *investment trust, details of* which emerge this week. Fleming wanted something different to market the trust and, while not the easiest quest, its marketing men tracked down a film props company in Hertfordshire *that had no fewer than six* rickshaws for hire. The one chosen — a genuine rickshaw from the Orient — recently appeared in a Pizza Hut advert and is also reputed to have played alongside Madonna in the forgettable film *Shanghai Surprise*. Fleming was keen to install a Chinese junk in its lobby, but settled for the rickshaw *as a somewhat more* practical alternative.

Floor show

WORD is spreading of an incident involving a respected and much-quoted City analyst at a popular and expensive West End restaurant one evening last week. The male analyst, *who was a little the worse* for wear and who I am loath to name, excused himself from his companions and went in search of the conveniences. Taking a wrong turn, he found himself in the street and proceeded to relieve himself against a dark-glass wall ... in full view of stunned diners who watched in horror from the other side of the one-way glass.

Hard times

OFFSPRING of Lloyd's Names, their pocket money *fast dwindling*, have taken to gatecrashing upmarket balls to keep up with the social set. Miscreants forge security tags, borrow caterers' uniforms and have even been known to use professional climbing equipment, *Harpers & Queen* reports. As one socialite puts it: "Three years ago I would have been able to afford a ticket easily. If I paid for this I wouldn't be able to go *out for the next ten days*."

Charity coins it

STRANGE goings-on at The Montcalm Hotel in London's West End, part of the Nikko Hotel group, where diners have been trying for three months to guess the number of yen coins heaped in a huge *pile at the centre of Les* Célébrités restaurant. Inspired by the chance of winning a trip to Japan, they plunged in with guesses from 528 coins to more than 1.7 million. The winner, an anonymous lady from Bromley, Kent, came within 27 yen of the total of 10,773 — chosen to mark the hotel's opening on 10 *July 1973. The Montcalm* planned to give the coins to the winner as pocket money for the trip, but decided instead to donate them to Help the Aged ... making the grand sum of £61.35.



Won't do nicely

THE measured elitist campaign *by* American Express to make itself more acceptable in the austere nineties has degenerated into a mud slinging contest with Visa. In addition to classy personal endorsements from celebrities like Anita Roddick and Sir Terence *Conran, the Green One is now* running newspaper ads featuring cartoon characters jumping on or counting bags of money. The turn down market, orchestrated by WPP's Ogilvy & Mather, came after the Visa-sponsored American US Open Tennis championships banned the "That'll *do* nicely" plastic being accepted at the *Grand Slam* event. Industry observers say the new aggression proves Amex is rattled. Over the past two years the number of US Amex cardholders has dropped by 1.6 million to 24.3 million, while Visa has 152 million holders and counting.

A CERTAIN amount of embarrassment for Kevin Bond, operations director at the National Rivers Authority, who took his team on a cruise to the Thames Barrier on Friday on the motor steamship Brunel. The freak tides left the water a little choppy, and two of his chief lieutenants spent the trip doubled-up over the rear rail. Better stick to dry land, chaps.

JON ASHWORTH

BBC1

6.00 Business Breakfast (77049)
7.00 Breakfast News (33374391)
9.05 Best Of British (colour, b/w). George Formby and Gracie Fields feature in the first of four programmes of clips from vintage British films (1847759)

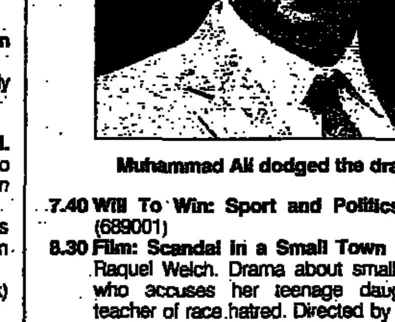


Lancashire songstress Gracie Fields (9.05am)

9.30 Three in the Wild. Episode one of a two-part story about a buzzard chick (r) (41335)
10.00 News (Ceefax), regional news and weather (1503594) **10.05 Playdays** (r) (s) (7380469) **10.30 Rupert.** Animation (r) (s) (1786952)
10.35 Liberal Democrats Live. Coverage of the first day of the Liberal Democrat Conference in Torquay. This morning's session ends with the address by the party president, Charles Kennedy. Includes **News** (Ceefax) and weather at **11.00** and **12.00** (59655049) **12.55 Regional News** and weather (29464204)
1.00 One O'Clock News with Edward Stourton. (Ceefax) Weather (60420)
1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (s) (61904865) **1.50 Going For Gold** *presented by Henry Kelly (s) (61908681)*
2.15 Knots Landing. American drama serial (s) (9278827) **3.05 Pot Black.** John Parrott v David Roe and Steve Davis v Martin Clark (1893339)
3.50 The Adventures of Spot (4714865) **3.55 Bodger and Badger** (s) (7744448) **4.05 The Worst Day Of My Life** (r). (Ceefax) (4710049) **4.35 Albert the 5th Musketeer.** (Ceefax) (1152643)
5.00 Newsround (5372556) **5.10 Blue Peter.** The Moscow Circus on Ice display their skills. (Ceefax) (s) (2337469)
5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (156285). **Northern Ireland:** Inside Ulster
6.00 News (Ceefax) and weather (391)
6.30 Regional News Magazines (643). **Northern Ireland:** Neighbours
7.00 Telly Addicts. A test of television trivia for family teams (s) (8778)
7.30 Watchdog. Consumer affairs. (Ceefax) (s) (827)
8.00 The Savage Paradise: The Year of the Jackal. The last of the series of wildlife films made by Hugo van Lawick is about the daily lives of a pair of golden jackals. (Ceefax) (s) (463285)
8.50 The Laughing Policeman. A compilation of clips from television comedy sketches about policemen (revised repeat). (Ceefax) (843440)
9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Michael Buerk. (Ceefax) Regional news and weather (9865)
9.30 Panorama: Babies on Benefit. Should the taxpayer foot the bill for the thousands of single mothers who expect the state to pay for them? *Postponed from last week (768339)*
10.10 A Sense of Guilt. Episode three of the seven-part drama of passion and betrayal by Andrea Newman (r). (Ceefax) (s) (991730). **Northern Ireland:** Back Page 10.35 Remaking the Maze 10.45-11.35 A Sense of Guilt
11.00 Film 93 with Barry Norman (s) (4310)
11.30 Film: Razorback (1984) starring Gregory Harrison and Arkie Whiteley. Horror movie, set in the Australian outback, about a gigantic man-eating boar. Directed by Russell Mulcahy (20827). **Northern Ireland:** 11.35 Film 93 12.05am Cagney and Lacey 12.50-1.10 The Sky at Night
1.00am Weather (5525518). Ends at **1.05**
3.00-3.30 BBC Select: RCN Nursing Update (41421)

BBC2

7.10 Open University (3818204)
8.00 Breakfast News (9021961)
8.15 Reviving Antiques. Ivory and horn (r) (Ceefax) (3490001) **8.20 Fatal Attraction.** The dangers of being fascinated by railways (9650310) **8.50 A Week to Remember** (b/w) Clips from Pathé newsreels of 40 years ago this week (2733407) **9.00 The History Man** visits a Cluniac priory in Norfolk (r) (6152643)
9.05 Daytime on Two: Global Environment (4620662) **9.25** Mad About Music (s) (4617198) **9.45** Numbertime (3418285) **10.00** Go 4,5 (5345198) **10.20** Music Time (s) (5354846) **10.45** Thinkabout Science (s) (8990894) **11.00** Zig Zag (7750440) **11.20** Shakespeare: The Animated Tales. *Romeo and Juliet.* (Ceefax) (s) (1892310) **11.50** Le Café des Rêves (s) (8592575) **12.10** The Geography Programme (s) (1722914) **12.30** History File: The World Since 1945 (7351914) **12.50** Teaching Today (s) (2629117) *1.20 Young children's programmes* 1.40 Landmarks (61993759)
2.00 News (Ceefax) and weather (60317846) **2.05 Numbertime** (36164317) **2.15 Portraits En Altitude.** A profile of a Parisienne who gave up the city life to farm in the Haute-Savoie. English subtitles (26269961) **2.30 See Hear!** (r) (s) (204)
3.00 News (Ceefax) and weather (5188204) **3.05 Songs of Praise** (r). (Ceefax) (s) (5507575) **3.40 A Week To Remember** (b/w) (r) (4594925) **3.50 News** (Ceefax), regional news and weather (8194989)
4.00 Film: Murder Ahoy (1964, b/w). Margaret Rutherford, in her last fling as Miss Marple, investigates a murder on board a training ship. Directed by George Pollock (55827)
5.30 Gardeners' World (r). (Ceefax) (s) (420)
6.00 The Addams Family (b/w). Classic ghoulish humour from America (r). (Ceefax) (573204)
6.25 Def II: Scene – Terry. Alan Plater's drama from 1969, starring Dennis Waterman (r) (581223)
6.55 Def II: Standing Room Only. Football fans' *magazine (s) (819914)*
7.30 Tex Avery. *Kingsize Canary* (r) (472681)



Muhammad Ali dodged the draft (7.40pm)

7.40 Will To Win: Sport and Politics. See Choice (689001)
8.30 Film: Scandal in a Small Town (1988) starring Raquel Welch. Drama about small-town waitress who accuses her teenage daughter's history teacher of race hatred. Directed by Anthony Page. (Ceefax) (13198)
10.00 Newman and Baddiel in Pieces. (Ceefax) (s) See Choice (83488)
10.30 Newsnight *with Peter Snow. (Ceefax) (872391)*
11.15 The Late Show. Arts and media magazine (s) (930049) **11.55 Weather** (655136)
12.00 Social Scientists at Work. Understanding society (6107995). Ends at **12.55am**

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CHOICE

Will to Win: Sport and Politics
BBC2, 7.40pm

A series on the struggles and achievements of black athletes opens with a reminder that there is more to sport than what happens on the field of play. The film pivots on that seminal moment in the 1968 Olympic Games when two American sprinters gave the Black Power salute on the winners' rostrum. They paid heavily for the gesture, but it was the first time black athletes had used sport, rather than the other way round. It was very different in the 1930s, when Jesse Owens and Joe Louis were lauded as democracy's answer to German fascism while being treated as second-class citizens in their own country. It is an illuminating and comprehensive survey, which also recalls the D'Oliveira affair and Muhammad Ali's refusal to be drafted for the Vietnam war.



Newman and Baddiel joke about life (BBC2, 10.00pm)

Newman and Baddiel in Pieces
BBC2, 10.00pm

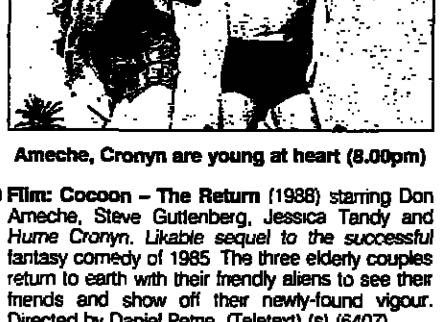
Rob Newman and David Baddiel came to prominence as one half of the comedy team, *The Mary Whitehouse Experience.* Now they are performers in their own right and something of a cult. At a guess their appeal is mainly to a young audience who watch a lot of television and appreciate nervous male humour about trying to make it with girls. It will help in understanding tonight's gags to have seen *Bullseye* and to know what *MTV Unplugged* is. The gags, however, are the weaker part. Some would barely make the Little and Large show on a poor night. Nor do Newman and Baddiel function very often or very effectively as a double act. They are best by themselves, when they offer wry monologues on the meaning of life.

Vets in the Wild
Channel 4, 9.00pm

Previous programmes in an absorbing series followed Dr Barkley Hastings as he trained young vets from developing countries in techniques that could save their endangered wildlife. The final film opens with spectacular footage from Zimbabwe, where a rhino and her calf are anaesthetised and transported to safety from poachers. Then it is time for the vets to go their separate ways and put their knowledge to the test. Reports from India, Mexico and the Philippines illustrate the theme of the series, that there is much more to being a vet than treating sick animals. Thanks to the skills passed on by Dr Hastings, rare species on the verge of extinction may be preserved. *Vets in the Wild* is a memorial to Hastings, who died of cancer soon after filming was completed. **Peter Waymark**

ITV LONDON

6.00 GMTV. Early morning news and entertainment (9208092)
9.25 Supermarket Sweep. Game show set in a supermarket (s) (1836643) **9.55 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (7399117)
10.00 The Time ... The Place ... Topical discussion series, presented by John Stapleton (s) (3626469)
10.35 This Morning. Weekday magazine presented by Judy Finnigan and Richard Madeley (63456353) **12.20 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (5679643)
12.30 ITN Lunchtime News (Teletext) and weather (2630223)
12.55 Coronation Street. A repeat of Friday's episode. (Teletext) (2615914) **1.25 Home and Away.** Australian family drama (Teletext) (66579049) **1.55 A Country Practice.** Medical drama set in the Australian outback (s) (61992020)
2.20 ITN News headlines (60324136) **2.25 London Today** (Teletext) and weather (60323407)
2.30 Capital Woman. Anneka Rice with advice on getting the best bargains in the capital (s) (730) **3.00 The Young Doctors.** Australian hospital drama serial (1865)
3.30 Tots TV (s) (3718952) **3.40 Wizadora** Puppets (4499371) **3.50 Wowser** (r) (8099335) **4.00 Sooty & Co** presented by Matthew Corbett (s) (4718681) **4.25 Tiny Toon Adventures** (r) (6387020) **4.50 How 2.** Fun and facts show (8408285)
5.10 Home and Away (r). (Teletext) (2818020)
5.40 Early Evening News (Teletext) and weather (773001)
6.00 London Tonight (Teletext) and weather (12488)
7.00 The Krypton Factor. Four contestants in the final heat of group A of the brain and brawn competition, presented by Gordon Burns. With Roy Barraclough and Annabel Giles acting in the memory playlet (Teletext) (3846)
7.30 Coronation Street. (Teletext) (223)

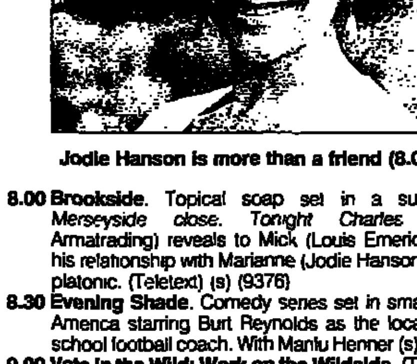


Ameche, Cronyn are young at heart (8.00pm)

8.00 Film: Cocoon – The Return (1988) starring Don Ameche, Steve Guttenberg, Jessica Tandy and *Hume Cronyn. Likable sequel to the successful* fantasy comedy of 1985. The three elderly couples return to earth with their friendly aliens to see their friends and show off their newly-found vigour. Directed by Daniel Petrie. (Teletext) (s) (6407)
10.00 News at Ten (Teletext) and weather (70914) **10.30 London Tonight** (Teletext) and weather (623117)
10.40 Sport in Question. Ian St John and Jimmy Greaves are joined by Peter Alliss, George Best and Reg Gutteridge. Last in the series (978914)
11.40 Nigel Mansell's IndyCar '93. A preview of the weekend's race from the Nazareth Speedway, Pennsylvania (720812)
12.40am The Beat. Music and movie magazine (s) (1460315)
1.40 60 Minutes. American news magazine (9233583)
2.30 Sport AM. Golf and football from Europe (54773)
3.30 Videofashion. The career of New York designer Betsey Johnson (20957)
4.00 Hollywood Report. Showbusiness tittle tattle (r) (s) (34150)
4.30 Cinema, Cinema, Cinema. Film reviews (r) (44518)
5.00 Riviera. French drama serial (11792)
5.30 ITN Morning News (96792). Ends at **6.00**

CHANNEL 4

6.30 Heathcliff. Catty cartoon series (2682339) **6.45 Wowser.** Canine capers (4124730)
7.00 The Big Breakfast (94643)
9.00 You Bet Your Life. American game show hosted by Bill Cosby (s) (80391)
9.30 Schools (287681)
12.00 Profiles Of Nature: Elephant Seals. Walter and Myrna Berlet's film of giant elephant seals as they lumber on to a secluded Californian beach south of San Francisco to stake their territorial claims (77827)
12.30 Sesame Street. Entertaining early-learning series (r) (30575) **1.30 Bobobobs.** Animated outer-space environmental adventures (r) (27310)
2.00 Film: I Didn't Do It (1945, b/w) starring George Formby. Comedy thriller about a northern entertainer, hoping to find fame and fortune in London, who books into a theatrical boarding house and finds himself a murder suspect. Not Formby's best but there are chirpy moments. Directed by Marcel Varnel (317933)
3.45 Rockhound Magoo. Cartoon (7649894)
3.55 Garden Club. A repeat of Friday's programme when the team met green-fingered enthusiasts from south Devon. With Roy Lancaster, Rebecca Pow and Matthew Biggs. (Teletext) (3894074)
4.30 Countdown. Richard Whiteley presents the words and numbers game, assisted by actor Martin Jarvis in the dictionary corner. (Teletext) (s) (136)
5.00 The Late Late Show. Music and chat from Dublin, hosted by Gay Byrne (s) (5989)
6.00 Batman. The caped crusader and his youthful side-kick Robin continue their battle with the evil Joker (371)
6.30 The Wonder Years. American comedy series about growing up in the late 1960s. Starring Fred Savage (r). (Teletext) (681)
7.00 Channel 4 News (Teletext) and weather (108310)
7.50 Comment. Solicitor Peter Hay puts the case for mediation before litigation (737020)



Jodie Hanson is more than a friend (8.00pm)

8.00 Brookside. Topical soap set in a suburban *Merseyside close. Tonight Charles (Tony* Armatrading) reveals to Mick (Louis Emerick) that his relationship with Marianne (Jodie Hanson) is not platonic. (Teletext) (s) (9376)
8.30 Evening Shade. Comedy series set in small-town America starring Burt Reynolds as the local high-school football coach. With Marilu Henner (s) (9643)
9.00 Vets in the Wild: Work on the Wildside. (Teletext) See Choice (7399)
10.00 I'll Fly Away. Deep South of the United States *drama series set in the 1950s, when racial strife was* rampant. Starring Sam Waterston, Regina Taylor and Jeremy London. (Teletext) (s) (641223)
10.55 The American Football Big Match. Gary Imlach reports on Atlanta v San Francisco 49ers, Washington v Philadelphia and Pittsburgh v Cincinnati (9118285)
12.15am Midnight Underground. The series of experimental films continues with three sex taboo-breaking works. Anna Thew's *Clingfilm*, a witty blue movie on the subject of safer sex, *Asparagus*, Susan Pitt's animation describing the process of creation, and Kenneth Anger's *Kustom Kar Kommandos*, a vivid exploration of the world of sexual images (2190792). Ends at **1.20**

RADIO 1

FM Stereo and **MW. 4.00am** Bruno Brookes **6.00** Mark Goodier **9.00** Simon Bates **12.30pm** Newsbeat **12.45** Jakki Brambles **3.00** Steve Wright **6.00** News 93 **6.30** Evening Session **8.30** Loud and Proud **9.00** Out on Blue Six **10.00** Nicky Campbell **12.00-4.00am** Bob Harris

RADIO 2

FM Stereo. **5.00am** Sarah Kennedy **6.15** Pause for Thought **7.05** Wake Up to Wogan **9.15** Pause for Thought **9.30** Ken Bruce **11.30** Jimmy Young **2.00pm** Gloria Hunniford **3.30** Ed Stewart **5.05** Chris Stuart **7.00** Hubert Gregg **7.30** Alan Dell **8.30** Big Band Special **9.00** Humphrey Lyttelton **10.00** Jazz Greats: George Benson **10.30** The Jamesons **12.05am** Digby Fairweather **1.00** Charles Nove **3.00-5.00am** Alex Lester

RADIO 5

News hourly until **7.00pm. 6.00am** World Service **6.30** Danny Baker **9.00-10.25** For Schools: English 9-11 **9.20** Infant History **9.30** Music Course 1 **9.45** Lets Move! **10.05** History 9-11 **10.25** Johnnie Walker **12.30pm** Baby Talk **1.00** News **1.10** BFBS Worldwide **3.20** Sportsbeat **4.30** Five Aside **6.30** The Green Hornet **7.15** Pigeon Summer: by Ann Turnbull. Mary takes charge of her father's beloved racing pigeons **7.30** Champion Sport **9.30** X Minus One **10.10-12.00** Fabulous!

WORLD SERVICE

All times in **BST. 4.30am** BBC English **4.45** News in German **5.00** Morgenmagazin **5.30** Off the Shelf: *Jean De Florette* **5.45** Andy Kershaw's World of Music **6.00** News **6.30** Europe Today **7.00** News **7.15** Recording of the Week **7.30** Water **8.00** Newsdesk **8.30** From Hoplite to Harrier: A Radio History of Warfare **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** *Health Matters* **9.30** *Anything Goes* **10.00** News **10.05** Business Report **10.15** Western Philosophers in a Nutshell **10.30** Andy Kershaw's World of Music **10.45** Sports **11.00** News **11.01** Water **11.30** BBC English **11.45** Mittagsmagazin **Noon** Newsdesk **12.30pm** Composer of the Month: Anton Bruckner **1.00** News **1.10** Words of Faith **1.15** Let's Do the Show Right Here **1.45** Sports **2.00** Newshour **3.00** News **3.05** Outlook **3.30** Off the Shelf: *Jen De Florette* **3.45** Points of the Compass **4.00** News **4.15** BBC English **4.30** Heute Aktuell **5.00** News **5.10** News about Britain **5.15** BBC English **6.00** News **6.05** Business Report **6.15** The World Today **6.30** Heute Aktuell **7.05** German Features **8.00** News **8.05** Outlook **8.30** Europe Today **9.00** News **9.10** Words of Faith **9.15** The World Today **9.30** The Vintage Chart Show **10.00** Newshour **11.00** News **11.10** News About Britain *11.15 One Blood — A History of Jamaican Music* **11.45** Sports **Midnight** News **12.05am** Business Report **12.15** On Screen **12.30** Multitrack 1 **1.00** Newsdesk **1.30** The Litmus Test **2.00** News **2.05** Outlook **2.30** Folk Routes **2.45** Health Matters **3.00** Newsdesk **3.30** Let's Do the Show Right Here **4.00** News **4.10** News about Britain **4.15am** Sports

CLASSIC FM

6.00am Nick Bailey **9.00** Henry Kelly **12.00** Susannah Simons **2.00pm** Lunchtime Concerto: Saint-Saëns (Cello Concerto No 1 in A minor), Brahms (String Quartet in G) **3.00** Petroc Trelawny **6.00** Margaret Howard **7.00** Classical Gas with Johnny Black **8.00** Evening Concert. English Sinfonia under Sir Charles Groves performs Mozart (Overture, The Marriage of Figaro); Schubert (Symphony No 2) Elgar (The Spirit of England). SNO under Sir Alexander Gibson **10.00** Sarah Ward **1.00-6.00am** André Leon

VIRGIN 1215

6.00am Russ and Jono's Rock 'n' Roll Breakfast **10.00** Richard Skinner **1.00pm** Kevin Greening **4.00** Tommy Vance **7.00** Mitch Johnson **10.00** Nick Abbot **2.00-6.00am** Wendy Lloyd

VARIATIONS

ANGLIA
As London except: 2.30-3.00 The Good Yarn Show (730) **5.10-5.40** The Champions (2818020) **6.00** Home And Away (560730) **6.25-7.00** Anglia News (428391) **10.30** Anglia News And Weather (623117) **10.40** Marquee (198730) **11.10** Nigel Mansell's Indycar '93 (752198) **12.10am** Love And War (7182976) **12.35** Film: Blood Ties (1461044) **1.35** Sport AM (6064889) **2.35** Donahue (6504150) **3.30** The Beat (3987402) **4.25** Night Shift (93469995) **4.30** Riviera (82477599) **4.55-5.30** Jobfinder (8211624)

CENTRAL
As London except: 1.55-2.20 Shortland Street (61992020) **2.30** Highdays and Otherdays (730) **3.00-3.30** A Country Practice (1865) **5.10-5.40** Animal Country (2818020) **6.00** Home And Away (560730) **6.25-7.00** Central News (428391) **10.30** Central News (623117) **10.40** It's A Living (198730) **11.10** Pro Box Classics (752198) **12.10am** Nigel Mansell's Indycar 93 (6180228) **1.10** Coach (5978605) **1.40** Film: Ryan's Four (6613841) **3.00** Sport AM (86808) **4.00** Job Finder (9139228) **5.20-5.30** Asian Eye (1148686)

GRANADA
As London except: 2.30 Gardeners' Diary (730) **3.00-3.30** Sons And Daughters (1865) **5.10-5.40** Movies, Games And Videos (2818020) **6.00** Home And Away (759) **6.30** Granada Tonight (814198) **6.55-7.00** Manchester Live (689001) **10.30** Granada News (977440) **10.35** Manchester Live (622488) **10.45** Film: Whisperkill (51854730) **12.25am** Night Shift (4859792) **12.35** Film Blood Ties (1461044) **1.35** Sport AM (6064889) **2.35** Donahue (6504150) **3.30** The Beat (3987402) **4.25** Nightshift (93469995) **4.30** Riviera (82477599) **4.55-5.30** Jobfinder (8211624)

HTV WEST
As London except: 2.30-3.00 Yan Can Cook (730) **6.00-7.00** HTV News (12488) *10.30 HTV News & Weather (623117) 10.40* Police 25 (198730) **11.10** Foley Square (129074) **11.40** The War Of The Worlds (377556) **12.35am** Film: Blood Ties (1461044) **1.35** Sport AM (6064889) **2.35** Donahue (6504150) **3.30** The Beat (3987402) **4.25** Night Shift (93469995) **4.30** Riviera (82477599) **4.55-5.30** Jobfinder

HTV WALES
As HTV WEST except: 6.00 Wales At Six (759) **6.30-7.00** Primetime (339) **10.30** HTV Wales News & Weather (623117) **10.40** Dennis O'Neill (865001) **11.25-11.40** World Cup Hall Of Fame (865594)

MERIDIAN
As London except: 2.30 Dining In France (730) **3.00-3.30** Shortland Street (1865) **5.37-5.40** Three Minutes (295914) **6.00** Meridian Tonight (759) **6.30-7.00** Spirit Of The South (339) **10.30** Meridian News & Weather (623117) **10.40** Meridian Business Awards (978914) **11.40-12.40pm** Murder, She Wrote (720812) **5.00am-5.30** Freescreen (11792)

TYNE TEES
As London except: 2.35-3.00 An Invitation To Remember (3185469) **5.55** Tyne Tees News (165285) **6.30-7.00** It's A Vet's Life (339) **10.30** Tyne Tees News (623117) **10.40** *The Twilight Zone (198730) 11.10 Prisoner:* Cell Block H (479056) **12.05am** Nigel Mansell's IndyCar 93 (6345773) **12.35** Film: The Inheritor (Jean-Paul Belmondo, Charles Denner) (687247) **2.35** Entertainment U.K (6592315) **3.35** ITV Chart Show (3986773) **4.30-5.30** Jobfinder (16537)

WESTCOUNTRY
As London except: 1.55-2.20 The Young Doctors (61992020) **2.30** Gardening Time (730) **3.00-3.30** A Country Practice (1865) **6.00-7.00** Westcountry Live (12488) **10.30** Westcountry Latest (623117) **10.40** Westcountry Focus (198730) **11.10** The Trials Of Rosie O'Neill (479056) **12.05am** Coach (6364808) **12.30** My Story (5960686) **12.35** Film: Blood Ties (Brad Davis, Tony LoBianco, Vincent Spano) (1461044) **1.35** Sport AM (6064889) **2.35** Donahue (6504150) **3.30** The Beat (3987402) **4.25** Night Shift (93469995) **4.30** Riviera (82477599) **4.55-5.30** Jobfinder (8211624)

YORKSHIRE
As London except: 2.35-3.00 An Invitation To Remember (3185469) **5.55** Calendar News (165285) **6.30-7.00** It's A Vet's Life (339) **10.30** Calendar News (623117) **10.40** The Twilight Zone (198730) **11.10** Prisoner: Cell Block H (479056) **12.05am** Nigel Mansell's Indycar 93 (6345773) **12.35** Film: The Inheritor (687247) **2.35** Entertainment U.K. (6592315) **3.35** ITV Chart Show (3986773) **4.30-5.30** Jobfinder (16537)

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Starts: 7.00am The Big Breakfast (94643) **9.00** You Bet Your Life (80391) **9.30** Schools (287681) **12.00pm** The Bufflers (77827) **12.30** Slot Meithrin (35339) **1.00** Roseanne (97730) **1.30** Hangin' With Mr Cooper (27310) **2.00** Film: Broken Blossoms (308285) **3.50** Cow On The Moon (4506107) **4.00** Slot 23 (6391) **5.00** Batman (4952) **5.30** Countdown (488) **6.00** Newyddion (650827) **6.20** Heno (418914) **7.00** Pobol Y Cwm (1488) **7.30** Cymru (865) **8.00** Pen-Blwydd Hapus (9376) **8.30** Newyddion (9643) **9.00** Sgorio (7399) **10.00** Brookside (78556) **10.30** Cheers (117865) **10.55** American Football (9127933) **12.10am** I'll Fly Away (6171570)

RADIO 3

6.35am Open University: Shakespeare's Languages **6.55** Weather
7.00 On Air: Andrew McGregor presents Bach (Brandenburg Concerto No 2 in F, BWV 1047); Saint-Saëns (Introduction and Rondo Capriccioso, Op 28); Parsons (Ut Re Mi Fa Sol); Mozart (Concerto in D, K107 No 1); Shostakovich (Waltz and Gavotte, The Human Comedy); Rachmaninov (The Rock)
9.00 Composer of the Week: Giacomo Puccini. James Naughtie discusses *Manon Lescaut* and introduces extracts from the opera
10.00 Morning Sequence: J.F. Fasch (Concerto in D); C.P.E. Bach (Klopstocks Morgengesang am Schöpfungsfeste); Albrechtsberger (Concerto for Jew's Harp and Mandora in E, finale); Beethoven (Piano Concerto No 4 in G: Artists of the Week, BBC Philharmonic under Yan Pascal Tortelier with Howard Shelley); Berlioz (La mort d'Ophélie); Satie (Croquis et agaceries d'un gros bonhomme en bois); Bozza (Fantaisie Pastorale, Op 37); Dutilleux (Symphony No 1)
12.00 The Violinist as Composer: Duncan Druce examines the influence of the technical wizardry of Nicolò Paganini
1.00pm News 1.05 Schubert Piano Music: Benjamin Frith performs Piano Sonata in C, D840; Impromptu in E flat, D899 No 2; Piano Sonata in A minor, D784
2.00 Leonardo Trio performs Haydn (Piano Trio in E, HXV28); Beethoven (Piano Trio in E flat, Op 70 No 2) (r)
2.50 The BBC Orchestras: BBC Philharmonic under Matthias Bamert performs Mozart (Symphony No 31 in D, Paris, K297); Poulenc (Organ Concerto in G minor); Francis Jackson (Organ Concerto, debut); Gershwin (An *American in Paris*)
4.30 Keyboard à la King: See Choice
5.00 In Tune with Jeremy Nicholas
7.30 Schubert Double Bill: The Vorarlberg Symphony Orchestra and Arnold Schoenberg Choir under Peter Schreier performs the operas *Claudine von Villa Bella* and *Die Verschworenen* which were written in 1815 and 1823. With Christine Oelze, Anton Scharinger, Ruth Ziesak, Markus Schafer and Christoph Pregardien
9.15 Four Saxes: The Delta Saxophone Quartet performs Jean Absil (Suite on Romanian Themes) and David Bedford (Fridiof Kennings)
9.45 Sleepless Nights: Laurie Graham presents her diary of everyday anxieties
9.50 Musicians of the Royal Exchange: Simon Rowland-Jones, viola; Moray Welsh, cello; and Anthony Goldstone, piano, perform Chopin (Piano Trio in G minor, Op 8) and Brahms (Piano Trio in A minor, Op 114)
10.45 Mixing It: Mark Russell and Robert Sandall catch up on new releases of music which mix styles and influences
11.30 Music Restored: From the court of Leopold I, performed by the Locke Consort
12.30-12.35am News
1.00-2.25am Night School (as 9am on Radio 5: except in Scotland)
2.25-3.00am Night School Extra: *English Resources: The poetry of passion*

RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping **6.00** News, Weather **6.10** Farming **6.25** Prayer for the Day **6.30** Today, incl **6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** News **6.45** Business News **6.55, 7.55, 8.58** Weather **7.25, 8.25** Sport **7.45** Thought for the Day **8.43** Bad Housekeeping, by Sue Limb
9.00 News
9.05 Start the Week with Melvyn Bragg and guests
10.00 News; Wordly Wise (FM only) with Peter Hobday
10.00 News; Daily Service (LW only)
10.15 The Bible (LW only) Daniel
10.30 Woman's Hour introduced by Anne Robinson **11.00 News**
11.30 Money Box Live: 071-580 4444, with Vincent Duggleby
12.00 News; You and Yours
12.25pm Round Britain Quiz: London (Irene Thomas and Eric Korn) v Midlands (Peter Oppenheimer and John Julius Norwich). Questionmasters: Gordon Clough and Tony Quinton **12.55** Weather
1.00 The World at One
1.40 The Archers (r) **1.55** Shipping
2.00 News; The Pledge: From a novel by Friedrich Dürrenmatt. Matthews is a gifted but unpopular detective. When a child is murdered he risks everything to solve the case. With Keith Drinkel and Tom Georgeson (r)
3.30 Eureka: Barbara Myers talks to scientists to discover something of their personalities and approach to their work. Heinz Wolff, professor of bioengineering at Brunel University, takes the first seat
4.00 News 4.05 Kaleidoscope: A preview of Hanif Kureishi's production of Brecht's *Mother Courage* for the National Theatre, and the verdict on Gabriel Garcia Marquez's new collection of stones
4.45 Short Story: The Beautiful Trousers, by Valentin Katayev. Read by Dominic Letts
5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather
6.00 Six O'Clock News
6.30 The News Quiz (r)
7.00 News 7.05 The Archers
7.20 An Angel in the House See Choice
7.45 The Soldier Moves, by Mike McGrath. An illicit weekend in the country for three soldiers and two young women brings much more than they bargained for. With Hugh Quarshie and Claudia McNulty
9.00 The Case of the Luminous Sea Lions: Dave Harvie uncovers the bizarre story of how, in 1916, the British Admiralty began experiments to train circus sea lions to track German submarines
9.15 Kaleidoscope (r)
9.45 The Financial World Tonight, with Roger White **9.59** Weather
10.00 The World Tonight
10.45 Book at Bedtime: Strange Loyalties: The third of William McIlvanney's Laidlaw novels. *The detective inspector* determines to discover the reason behind his brother's death. Read by Tom Watson
11.00 You Heard It Here First: The Hitch-Hikers Guide to the Galaxy (r)
11.30 Benny's Boys: In 1936, the Benny Goodman Quartet was formed from an impromptu jam session with vibraphonist Lionel Hampton. Geoffrey Smith introduces recordings by this most exciting of the Goodman small groups (r)
12.00-12.30am News incl **12.27** Weather **12.33** Shipping **12.43** As World Service (**LW** only)

CHOICE

An Angel in the House. *Radio 4, 7.20pm.*
The eponymous angel could be Thelma Hussein, but is not. It is one of the household angels invoked in a Muslim blessing. Thelma comes of Arab and Geordie stock. With her Yemeni husband she runs one of the two remaining seamen's boarding houses in what has traditionally been known as the Arab quarter of South Shields. The Husseins' home is not only home from home for an Arab seaman. It is also a mini-community centre where local "Geordie Arabs" can be sure of good advice, a cuppa, a game of dominoes, and the 6 o'clock news on BBC television.

Keyboard à la King. *Radio 3, 4.30pm.*
Max Harrison's six-parter concentrates on Nat King Cole as piano-*player, not singer. It is not finally a happy tale, says Harrison, and it* has not one but two sad endings. There is, however, no hint of all this in the first instalment, with Cole's dizzying improvisation on *Three Little Words* and *Straighten Up and Fly Right*, a 1943 recording by the Cole trio and the only one of this evening's numbers with Cole both vocalising and playing. **Peter Davalle**

RADIO 1: 1053kHz/285m; 1089kHz/275m; FM-97.6-99.8. RADIO 2: FM-88-90.2. RADIO 3: FM-90.2-92.4. RADIO 4: 198kHz/1515m; FM-92.4-94.6. RADIO 5: 693kHz/433m; 909kHz/330m. LBC: 1152kHz/261m; FM 97.3. CAPITAL: 1548kHz/194m; FM-95.8. GLR: 1458kHz/206m; FM 94.9; WORLD SERVICE: MW 648kHz/463m. CLASSIC FM: FM-100-102. VIRGIN: MW-1215, 1197, 1242 kHz. COMPILED BY PETER DEAR AND KRIS ANDERSON

SATELLITE

SKY ONE
6.00am DJ Kat Show (78910662) **8.40** Lamb Chops Play-a-Long (2255407) **9.00** Cartoons (13643) **9.30** Pyramid Game (57575) **10.00** Card Sharks (6963223) **10.25** Concentration (3892117) **10.50** Dynamo Duck (9052662) **11.00** Sally Jessy Raphael (42204) **12.00** E Street (33407) **12.30pm** Three's Company (51391) **1.00** Barnaby Jones (56846) **2.00** Roots (17020) **3.00** Another World (9813372) **3.45** DJ Kat Show (4342830) **5.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (7961) **6.00** Games World (7933) **6.30** E Street (9285) **7.00** Rescue (1020) **7.30** Full House (4469) **8.00** Adventures of Ned Blessing (93391) **10.00** Star Trek: The Next Generation (89198) **11.00-12.00** Streets of San Francisco (30469)

SKY NEWS
News on the hour
6.00am Sunrise (2898310) **9.30** Roving Report (26469) **10.30** The Book Show (91285) **11.30** Japan Business Today (28117) **12.30pm** Business Report (95001) **1.30** CBS News (96730) **2.30** The Book Show (20914) **3.30** Travel Destinations (39933) **4.30** Business Report (7310) **6.00** Live at Five (468594) **7.30** Special Report (5339) **9.30** Talkback (21933) **11.30** CBS News (11117) **12.30** ABC News (41976) **1.30** Special Report (18421) **2.30** Travel Destinations (24131) **3.30** Talkback (36976) **4.30** Special Report (38773) **5.30-6.00am** CBS News (25228)

SKY MOVIES
6.00am Showcase (8961198)
10.00 Going Under (1990) *Hot Shots*-style Navy parody with Bill Pullman and Ned Beatty (62407)
12.00 40 Carats (1973). Bright and breezy screen version of the Broadway hit starring Liv Ullmann and Edward Albert (21223)
2.00pm Pieces of Dreams (1991) Religion comes between an affair of the heart for a divorced social worker and a priest (55038)
4.00 White Hunter, Black Heart (1990) Clint Eastwood's bold drama based on Peter Viertel's experiences with John Huston on the set of *The African Queen* (5223)
6.00 Going Under (as 10am) (72025407)
7.40 UK Top Ten (461440)
8.00 Godfather Family — A Look Inside Documentary (84643)
9.00 The Godfather Part III (1990) Concluding chapter of Francis Ford Coppola's grandiose gangster drama. Starring Al Pacino, Andy Garcia, Diane Keaton and Eli Wallech (55624933)
11.50 Year of the Gun (1991) Andrew McCarthy plays an American journalist whose investigations of the Red Brigade endanger everyone around him (375594)
1.45am Myriam. The escapades of a young wife bored with an erring husband (600976)
3.45 Salt and Pepper (1968) Sammy Davis Jr and Peter Lawford star as nightclub owners cum sleuths (943063). Ends at **5.25**

SKY MOVIES GOLD
6.00pm Young Billy Young (1969): Robert Mitchum as a vengeful sheriff who becomes a surrogate father as he searches for the men who killed his own son (76662)
8.00 The Knack, and How to Get It (1965) Classic comedy about a young London school teacher trying to end his age of innocence. With Michael Crawford (83407)
10.00 Monty Python Live at the Hollywood Bowl (1982) With John Cleese, Graham Chapman and Terry Gilliam (3490440). Ends at **11.20**

THE MOVIE CHANNEL
6.00am The Great Missouri Raid (1950). The exploits of the infamous James brothers during the American civil war (65914)
8.00 Red Riding Hood (1988): Retelling of the Brothers Grimm fairy tale with Isabella Rossellini and Amelia Shankley (88894)
10.00 A Bullet for Joey (1955). Edward G Robinson as a policeman who uncovers a plot to take over the world (60049)
12.00 King Richard and the Crusaders (1954). The perils faced by Richard the Lionheart during the third Crusade. With Rex Harrison and George Sanders (29865)
2.00pm Berlin Tunnel 21 (1981). A rescue from under the *Wall (73486575)*
4.25 Red Riding Hood (as 8am) (56377097)
6.00 Running Against Time (1990) A man is whisked back through the years to try and prevent the Kennedy assassination and the escalation of the Vietnam war. With Robert Hays and Sam Wanamaker (24469)
7.30 Xposure Film news (1597)
8.00 Ambush in Waco (1993): Drama documentary about the inexorable rise of the religious leader David Koresh (86001)
10.00 Double Impact (1991) Jean-Claude *Van Damme stars as twins swearing* vengeance on their parents' murderers (218440)
11.50 Cold Justice (1990) Dennis Waterman stars as a mysterious Chicago priest who is not all that he seems. With Roger Daltry (991681)
1.40am The Outsider (1980) Political thriller of a Vietnam vet who becomes embroiled in the provisional IRA (85532957)
3.50 Friends (1971) A teenage couple elope to the French seaside to set up home and family. Score by Elton John (948518) Ends **5.30**

SKY SPORTS
7.00am Prime Bodies (96049) **7.30** Womens' Pro Beach Volleyball (93594) **9.00** Prime Bodies (87827) **9.30** The Big League (90285) **11.30** Windsurfing: British leg of PBA World Cup (62575) **12.30pm** FA Premier League Football: Manchester United v Arsenal (63865) **2.30** Australian Rules Football (64372) **3.30** American Sports Cavalcade (80681) **4.30** Trucks 'n' Tractor Power (9310) *5.00 Windsurfing (8198) 5.30 Tenpin Bowling (8402)* **6.00** Soccer News (636372) **6.15** WWF Wrestling Challenge (859372) **7.00** Football: Wimbledon v Manchester City Live (220556) **10.15** Soccer News (592865) **10.30** Ringside Superbouts (15020) **11.15-1.30am** Football (as 7pm) (86223)

EUROSPORT
7.30 Step Aerobics (93952) **8.00** Golf. The Lancome Trophy (40372) **10.00** Sailing: Whitbread Race Preview (99136) **11.00** DTM German Touring Cars (79372) **12.00** Motor Sport Report (22488) **1.00** Mountainbike World Championship (31136) **2.00** Handball (51488) **3.00** Volleyball (12952) **4.00** DTM German Touring Car Championships (23989) **5.00** Indycar Racing (5001) **6.00** Eurofun Magazine (2643) **6.30** Eurosport News (6223) **7.00** Snooker (94681) **9.00** Boxing (39117) **10.00** Eurogoals (32204) **11.00** Eurogolf (90865) **12.00-12.30am** Eurosport News (88711)

UK GOLD
7.00am GP (8300681) **7.30** Neighbours (8396488) **8.00** Sons and Daughters (1025020) **8.30** EastEnders (1024391) **9.00** The Bill (1015643) **9.30** The Pallisers (1342488) **10.30** Rockcliffe's Babies (2306488) **11.30** Rhoda (3813925) **12.00** Sons and Daughters (1035407) **12.30pm** Neighbours (2737407) **1.00** EastEnders (8309952) **1.30** The Bill (2736778) **2.00** Never Mind the Quality, Feel the Width (5954020) **2.30** Shelley (8600594) **3.00** Dallas (9213961) **4.00** Dynasty (5311718) **5.00** Blankety Blank (5945372) **5.30** Give Us a Clue *(8604310) 6.00 Neighbours* (8601223) **6.30** EastEnders (8692575) **7.00** The Pallisers (3406914) **8.00** Never Mind the Quality, Feel the Width (5941556) **8.30** Shelley (5953391) **9.00** Rockcliffe's Babies (3402198) **10.00** The Bill (1036136) **10.30** Naked Video (1012556) **11.00** Top of the Pops (8590285) **11.50** Dr Who (8200339) **12.20am** Film: Slaughter Trail (1951) The cavalry rides in to keep the peace with the Indians. With Brian Donlevy (39272044) **1.40-2.00** Video Bites (52431334)

THE CHILDREN'S CHANNEL
6.00am RatKan II (261399) **9.00** Jack in the Box (30594) **11.00** Stories Without Words (55681) **11.30** Say Ahhh! (56310) **12.00** Fame (60662) **1.00pm** Jack in the Box (34310) **3.00** The Adventures of Teddy Ruxpin (7865) **3.30** RatKan II (9575) **4.00** Stunt Dawgs (1310) **4.30-5.00** Betty's Bunch (7594)

NICKELODEON
7.00am Dawn Patrol (87391) **7.30** Guts (73198) **8.00** Kid's Court (95846) **8.30** Wild Side Show (94117) **9.00** Rabbit Ears We All Have Tales (85469) **9.30** Fraggle Rock (45339) **10.00** Janosch's Dreamhour (56933) **10.30** The World of David the Gnome (92551) **11.00** Sharon, Lois and Bram's Elephant Show (13681) **11.30** Eureeka's Castle (60117) **12.30pm** Rabbit Ears We All Have Tales (16827) **1.00** The World of David the Gnome (86662) **1.30** Wisdom of the Gnomes (15198) **2.00** Janosch's Dreamhour (5488) **2.30** Junior Story Time (4488) **3.00** Kaplooey (92198) **3.30** Out of Control (3933) **4.00** Fraggle Rock (8440) **4.30** Hey Dude (7952) **5.00** Clarissa Explains it All (9440) **5.30** Welcome Freshmen (8204) **6.00** Guts (5117) **6.30-7.00** Get the Picture (6489)

DISCOVERY
4.00pm Earthfile (8699488) **4.30** The Amateur Naturalist (8683372) **5.00** Adventure Hour (5943914) **5.30** Skybound (8602952) *8.00 Beyond 2000 (6811391) 8.50 Anne* Martin's Postcards: England (3477556) **7.00** Get Wet (5963778) **7.30** High Five: Cape Town (8689001) **8.00** Wildside. Penguin Summer (3413204) **9.00** Islands of the Pacific, New Caledonia (6270515) **9.55** Anne Martin's Postcards: Ontario (3294049) **10.05** Search for Adventure (9518285) **11.00-12.00** Nature by Profession (8384643)

BRAVO
12.00 Film: Who Was Maddox? (1964). *Rivalry at a publishing house leads to* blackmail and murder (87456469) **1.05pm** Film: High Society (1956) starring Frank Sinatra, Bing Crosby and Grace Kelly (43817914) **3.00** Bonanza (7413989) **4.00** The "New" Honeymooners (8686914) **4.30** I Spy (1690778) **5.30** Honey West (8606778) **6.00** The David Niven Show (8696391) **6.30** The Vise (8687643) **7.00** The Dick Powell Theatre (3424310) **8.00** Film: The End of the Affair (1954, b/w): Extra-marital guilt in wartime London, based on the Graham Greene novel (3411846) **10.00** Film: The *Blue Parrot (1953, b/w): Romance and* murder in a night club (93404933) **11.15-12.00** Film: Footsteps (1974): A lonely spinster, a dilapidated boarding house, a murder. Classic horror from the director of *The Commitments* (4994092)

UK LIVING
7.00am Jayne and Friends (8759846) **8.00** Fame, Fortune and Romance (1807198) **8.30** Living Daylights (1806469) **9.00** Divorce Court (1820049) **9.30** Hot Topics (7450198) **10.00** Health UK (4875310) **10.30** Living Extra (1819933) **11.00** On the House (3538759) **11.30** Delia Smith's Cookery Course (3539488) **12.00** Practical Living (23094310) **12.15pm** Kilroy (3252575) **1.00** Crosswits (4490662) **1.30** Infatuation (7453285) **2.00** Days of Our Lives (4863339) **3.00** Agony Hour (3533204) **4.00** Crosswits (8568264) **4.30** Infatuation (4220448) **5.00** Jayne and Friends (7284643) **6.00** What's Up Dr Ruth (3975551) **6.30** Masterchef (8270943) **7.00** Agony Hour (6929049) **8.00** The Young and the Restless (6905469) **9.00** Film: Dear Detective (1979): With Brenda Vaccaro and Arlen Dean Snyder (6908556) **11.00** Divorce Court (3513440) **11.30** On the Air, with Dr Ruth (48715594) **12.00-1.00am** Days of Our Lives (8739082)

FAMILY CHANNEL
5.00pm Danger Bay (2310) **5.30** Wonder Years (8846) **6.00** Big Brother Jake (5759) **6.30** Catchphrase (9339) **7.00** Trivial Pursuit (9846) **7.30** All Clued Up (8223) **8.00** Remington Steele (80865) **9.00** Neon Rider (60001) **10.00** WKRP in Cincinnati (31662) **10.30** Mary Tyler Moore Show (40310) **11.00** Bob Newhart Show (47662) **11.30** Newhart (19001) **12.00-1.00am** Lou Grant (24228)

MTV
6.00am Awake on the Wild Side (461317) **9.00** Marijne (763846) **12.00** Greatest Hits (62020) **1.00pm** Simone (25399) **2.30** All Star Football Challenge — the Build Up! (54594) **3.30** The Report (2194391) **3.45** At the Movies (2199846) **4.00** News (1836778) **4.15** 3 from 1 (1819001) **4.30** The Grind (9952) **5.00** Hit List UK (20556) **7.00** Pet Shop Boys Popumentary (1204) **7.30** Whitney Houston Rockumentary (5551) **8.00** Music Non-Stop (82223) **9.00** Greatest Hits (79759) **10.00** The Report (654204) **10.15** At the Movies (659759) **10.30** News (434285) **10.45** 3 From 1 (422440) **11.00** Rock Block (13038) **1.00am** Marijne (48402) **2.00-6.00am** Night Videos

TV ASIA
6.00am Asian Morning (8469040) **9.30** Daldal (11575) **10.30** Good Housekeeping (86391) **11.30** TVA and U (50136) **12.00** News in Hindi, Urdu and English (34759) **12.30pm** Kabir (78681) **1.00** Film: Mohabbat Ek Kahani (682407) **4.00** Kiddie Time (40759) **5.00** TVA: Dedicated To You (5643) **6.00** Close (24846) **7.00** Showtime (46407) **8.00** News in English (423575) **8.15** Face to Face (934223) **9.00** Film: Taqdeer. With Mithun Chakraborty, Zeenat Aman, Shatrughan Sinha and Hema Malini (147759) **12.05am** *Five Past Midnight (6368860)* **1.00** Film: Jawaani. With Neelam and Rohan Kapoor (2929792) **4.00** Alarabee (99808) **5.00** Chunab (64222) **5.30-6.00** Music (78654)

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Labour costs in UK fall below Japan

BY JANET BUSH
ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

■ Currency movements have changed comparative wage costs, making Britain's only half those in Germany, where the pressure is forcing heavy job cuts

BRITAIN'S labour costs are less than half of those in Germany and are undercutting Japan's, reflecting the competitive advantage gained over countries with strong currencies since sterling's exit from the European exchange-rate mechanism a year ago.

A comparative survey of European labour costs compiled by the Economist Intelligence Unit also shows that hourly labour costs in the EC as a whole will be lower than those in Japan for the first time this year. This results from the yen's strong rise and high unemployment in Europe, expected to reach 11 per cent overall this year.

The EIU's measure of labour costs includes overtime and fringe benefits, as well as pay, and covers production workers in manufacturing industry.

Britain's labour costs will drop to an hourly average of $12.90 this year, a third lower than the EC average. In comparison, the figure for Germany is $25.34, the highest in Europe and the highest of any leading economy. Japan's average hourly compensation is $19.05 and that for the US, $16.58.

Germany has suffered a sharp loss of competitiveness against other European countries because of the mark's sharp appreciation, and this is expected to worsen this year. High labour costs are forcing leading German exporters to cut jobs heavily in an attempt to retain their productivity advantage. In the past fortnight, German motor, chemicals and energy groups have announced about 90,000 job losses.

In contrast, countries that have devalued their currencies have seen their labour costs improve. Italy's costs have fallen below those of France for the first time this year.

Graham Hatton, who directed the EIU survey, said: "While France has pursued a *franc fort* policy, Italy has been able to reap the benefits of currency devaluation following the lira's suspension from the ERM last year. The UK figures suggest that a similar pattern is emerging for Britain."

In Europe, only Ireland, Spain, Greece and Portugal have lower labour costs, on the EIU measure, than Britain.

Another survey, published today by Manpower, the employment agency, shows that the gradual upswing in confidence over job prospects has continued into the autumn. The survey of more than 2,000 leading employers showed that 23 per cent expected job increases in the fourth quarter and 16 per cent, job losses. This positive balance of seven percentage points compares with a negative net balance of one percentage point a year ago.

Manpower said this level of optimism was the highest for any fourth quarter since 1990 and that "the trend bears a distinct similarity to the same period ten years ago, when the UK was emerging from the 1979 recession".

Lilian Bennett, Manpower chairman, sounded a note of caution, however, saying that employers were still concentrating on improving productivity. Although more companies were beginning to expand their permanent staffs, others were "still looking to contracting out or to the use of temporary staff services until recovery is an established fact".

Manufacturing companies have shown the greatest improvement over the past year and there has been a dramatic improvement in job prospects in construction, both private and public. However, the public sector generally remains extremely depressed. It has been the worst affected sector for seven consecutive quarters. Manpower said both local government and healthcare were forecasting almost the same levels of further job losses as they were a year ago.

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STEVE HILL



EBRD may fund nuclear plant

BY COLIN NARBROUGH

THE European Bank is likely to approve funding for a DM1.3 billion Franco-German project to complete a controversial Russian-designed nuclear plant in Slovakia that would supply power to the West European grid at rock bottom prices.

Electricité de France and Bayernwerk, both state owned power utilities, want the EBRD and the European Investment Bank in Luxembourg to finance two thirds of the project. The Slovakian power company that owns the half-finished Mochovce plant ran out of funds two years ago.

Under the Franco-German project, Mochovce would provide power at less than six pfennigs a kilowatt hour to the western European market starting in 1997, against about 10 pfennigs currently paid for imported electricity. The Franco-German consortium has already put up DM50 million to maintain existing structures at Mochovce in good condition.

Slovakia's break with the Czech Republic has created severe difficulties for the poorer Slovakian economy, which faces a power shortage due to the delays.

Mochovce was to have gone on stream last year. Slovakians rely on the Bohunice nuclear plant, whose safety standards have alarmed nuclear experts.

The project is bitterly opposed by Austria as Mochovce is only 100 miles east of Vienna. Austria has forbidden the use of domestic nuclear power and is trying to pressure its former communist neighbours to shut their nuclear plants.

In Germany, the environmentalist lobby fears that western European companies are trying to take advantage of Slovakia's plight to employ nuclear reactors that would not be allowed in the West. A reactor of the same Russian type in eastern Germany was deemed unacceptable on safety grounds by the German nuclear industry.

At the EBRD, whose charter allows it to fund civil nuclear projects, the decision due this year on the Mochovce project has highlighted the bank's dilemma over whose interests should be served by EBRD financing.

Western opposition to cheap nuclear power from eastern Europe echoes criticism of approval recently given by the EBRD of funding for a Czech aluminium smelter which threatens Western industry already hit by overcapacity and a large inflow of cheap imports from the former Soviet bloc.

MALAYA Group, the fast-growing retail motor group, has won sole concession in the UK for Bugatti, one of Europe's most famous motor racing names in the pre-war era (Philip Pangalos writes).

Nick Lancaster, Malaya's chief executive, right, yesterday welcomed Romano Artioli, left, president of Bugatti Automobili, which recently took over Group Lotus, the struggling UK sports car maker and automotive engineering group.

Malaya will sell the latest EB110 Bugatti supercar, which has a mid-mounted 550 bhp V12 engine, carbon fibre chassis, four-wheel drive, a top speed of 230 mph and can accelerate from 0-60 mph in 2.9 seconds. It costs between £285,000 and £335,000.

Glaxo wins US patent ruling

FROM PHILIP ROBINSON IN NEW YORK

GLAXO, Britain's largest pharmaceutical group, has won an American court case against Novopharm, a generic drug manufacturer, challenging the Form 2 patent on Zantac, the world's biggest selling prescription drug.

The ruling, in a US district court, upheld Glaxo's case on all counts. Unless successfully appealed, it means Zantac's US patent will last until 2002 rather than 1995, when the unused Form 1 patent expires.

The ruling eases one of the threats overhanging the pharmaceutical sector. The second will come on Wednesday when President Clinton, who has been critical of drug prices, unveils the healthcare reform plans overseen by his wife, Hillary, aimed at bringing 37 million Americans into the healthcare system and providing adequate cover for 22 million more. Drug companies have two main areas of concern: a government blacklist for medicines considered too highly priced and a 15 per cent rebate to be paid on prescriptions for the elderly as well as for the poor. SmithKline Beecham said: "Any blacklist would mean it would be extremely difficult to plan research and development spending if the government were to intervene at a late stage of development and regulate the price of the drug. We are also concerned about the 15 per cent rebate."


Hillary Clinton: extra cover

Share prices of Glaxo, Wellcome and SmithKline, which have almost half their sales in America with a combined turnover of almost £5.5 billion, have fallen by up to 50 per cent over the past 12 months and are still 36 per cent below their 1993 peak despite a rally on hopes there would be no direct price controls.

Jack Lamberton, US pharmaceutical analyst with NatWest Securities, said all companies will not be hit equally. "Glaxo is a company which we think will thrive in the coming environment, which will not allow weak companies with no new drugs and declining volume sales to hide behind prices rises."

Glaxo said: "We agree that reforms are needed in the US health system, but we favour a market forces approach which would reward cost efficiency and quality. If that happens, we think we can do well."

US health insurers' fears that Mr Clinton will cap premiums for health cover were underlined on Friday when Cigna, one of America's big five health insurers, announced 1,000 job cuts to save $50 million a year.

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Shake-up at Spring Ram likely

BY PHILIP PANGALOS

SPRING Ram, the battered kitchens to bathrooms group, is set to accompany worse than expected interim losses and provisions this week with a boardroom clear-out. Panmure Gordon is also expected to be replaced as Spring Ram's stockbroker by Barclays de Zoete Wedd.

Boardroom departures are likely to include Bill Rooney, the company's co-founder and chief executive, who holds a 16 per cent stake in the group. City analysts believe that Roger Regan, the new executive chairman brought in last month following a shareholder rebellion led by Prudential Corporation, is likely to show other directors and senior managers the door.

Mr Regan was approached after the company issued three profit warnings in eight months. Half-year results are feared to show pre-tax losses far higher than the £25 million-plus the City expected, perhaps up to £40 million. Last year's profits may also be restated. The interim dividend is likely to be axed.

Price Waterhouse, the accountant, is expected to take over the audit from Arthur Andersen. Earlier this year, a row erupted between Arthur Andersen and Spring Ram over the group's profit figures.

BAe threatens Ordnance cuts

BY NEIL BENNETT

BRITISH Aerospace is threatening to make further heavy cuts at Royal Ordnance, the armaments subsidiary it bought from the government in 1987, unless the defence ministry increases orders.

Dick Evans, BAe's chief executive, said that RO's operations would have to be slimmed unless it could be certain of higher orders, particularly for large calibre weapons. RO is bidding for a key five-year MoD contract to supply a range of munitions.

Mr Evans said: "We believe Royal Ordnance is strategically important to the country, and we are talking to the Ministry of Defence to ensure we receive the orders it needs".

Sales at RO have suffered from defence cuts since last April after the expiry of an interim arrangement guaranteeing it 80 per cent of the order for certain armaments. It is only thought to have broken even in 1992. Since 1987, it has cut staff from more than 15,000 to around 6,000.

The MoD said that it had put its main ammunition contract out for competitive tendering and was looking at a range of overseas suppliers. "The government is not in the position of shoring up a supplier, albeit a large one. We do not have special cases," a spokesman said.

WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene

This position is from the game Steinitz - Lasker, World Championship, New York 1896. Black has a very active position and tremendous pressure. His next move forced White's capitulation. What was it?

Watch out for part three of the history of the world championship in next Saturday's magazine, when we see Lasker and Capablanca in action. Tomorrow sees the 7th game of the Kasparov - Short match at the Savoy Theatre. For tickets from as little as £20 ring First Call on 071 497 9977.


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WORD-WATCHING

By Philip Howard

GRIZZLED SKIPPER
a. Sir Patrick Spens
b. A trout fly
c. A butterfly

HYDE PARKER
a. An English admiral
b. 17th-century artist
c. A Regency horseman

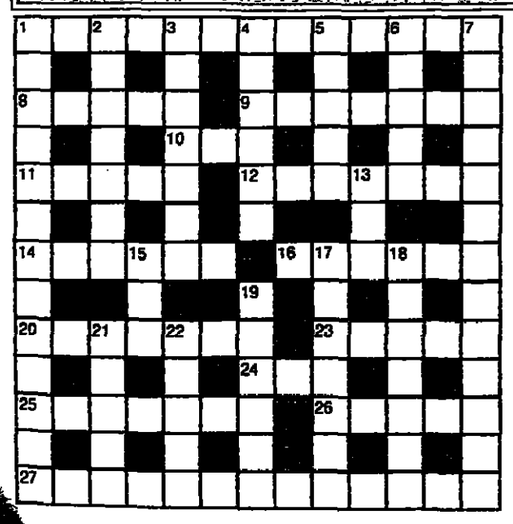
BLACK DICK
a. An unattractive pudding
b. A highwayman
c. An English admiral

KHAKI CAMPBELL
a. A Scottish soldier
b. A duck
c. A whisky chaser

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10 Italian monk (3)
11 *Spanish square* (5)
12 Attracted (5,2)
14 Bowman (6)
16 Cut to pieces (4,2)
20 Whirling Muslim (7)
23 Scenery (5)
24 Surprise remark (3)
25 Destroy (5,2)
26 Cell-dissolving antibody (5)
27 Undyed state (7,6)

DOWN
1 Spectator poet founder (6,7)
2 Hebrew (7)
3 Foreword (7)
4 Not created (6)
5 *Military rulers* (5)
6 Roman clan name (5)
7 Passive ally (6,7)
13 Court (3)
15 Large lorry (1,1,1)
17 Spanish nobleman (7)
18 Blue period artist (7)
19 Welsh worship place (6)
21 Heat intensely (5)
22 Greek gods blood (5)

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CHANGE ON WEEK

THE POUND

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German mark
2.4670 (-0.0085)
Exchange index
80.7 (-0.6)
Bank of England official close (4pm)

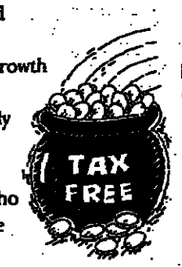
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